

History

In History the children will be exploring Ancient Egypt discovering where and when early civilisations first appeared and developing their historical inquiry skills by examining different sources. They will learn about the River Nile and its vital role in Egyptian life, from farming to transport, and explore the Rosetta Stone, which helped historians unlock the secrets of Egyptian writing. The children will also study the gods and goddesses worshipped by the Egyptians and analyse how mummification reflected their beliefs about the afterlife. Through this exciting topic, they will consider what was most important to people in Ancient Egypt, from powerful pharaohs to daily life along the Nile.



PSHE— In PSHE the children will be learning about rules, laws and decision-making in society. They will explore why and how rules and laws are made and enforced as well as why different situations require different rules. The children will also consider how they can take part in making and changing rules in their communities. Additionally, they will develop their ability to make real choices and decisions such as those affecting their health and wellbeing, the use of limited resources and financial decisions like spending pocket money or donating to charity. They will also learn about economic choices and how the way resources are allocated can impact individuals, communities and the environment's sustainability. This unit will help them understand responsibility, fairness and the role they play in shaping the world around them.

Year Group: 3

Term: Summer 1

What was important to the Ancient Egyptians?

PE— This half term in PE, your child will be developing their skills in invasion games through hockey, focusing on teamwork, passing and defending. They will also take part in strike and field games, learning how to strike a ball effectively, field with accuracy and work as part of a team.

Maths This term, we will be developing our understanding of fractions, money and time. In fractions, the children will learn to add and subtract fractions, partition the whole, and work with both unit and non-unit fractions of a set of objects. They will also build their reasoning skills when finding fractions of an amount. In our money topic, we will explore pounds and pence, including how to convert between them, add and subtract money, and find change in practical contexts. Alongside this, we will deepen our understanding of time by reading and writing Roman numerals to 12, telling the time to 5 minutes and to the minute, and reading time on digital clocks. The children will also learn to use am and pm accurately, and explore units of time including years, months, days, hours and minutes. They will apply this knowledge to solve problems involving start and end times, helping them to develop confidence in real-life time calculations.

Art
In Art, the children will be exploring Ancient Egyptian art, recognising its importance and discussing its distinctive style. They will consider the suitability of different surfaces for drawing and develop their observational skills by recording colours, patterns and shapes. Through experimentation with various drawing techniques, they will build confidence in choosing and using tools and materials effectively. The children will create a selection of sketches to explore their ideas before producing a final design with a clear purpose. They will follow instructions with increasing independence and reflect on their work through discussion and evaluation. By the end of the unit, they will complete a painted or drawn piece from their design, using colour and composition thoughtfully. Additionally, they will develop a zine featuring a range of images and information that showcases their understanding of Ancient Egyptian art.

Computing—This term in Computing, Year 3 will be using Scratch to develop their programming skills. The children will learn how to create and debug simple algorithms by building their own interactive projects. They will explore how to use sequences of instructions, loops, and events to make characters move, respond, and interact on screen. As their confidence grows, they will design and improve their own animations and games, using creativity to bring their ideas to life. Through this work, the children will also develop important problem-solving skills, learning how to test and refine their programs to make them work as intended.

Science

This half term in Science, your child will learn what plants need to grow healthily and describe the structure and function of the parts of flowering plants. They will investigate how plants transport water, explore the life cycle of a flowering plant and explain different seed dispersal methods. When working scientifically, they will pose relevant questions, plan simple enquiries, design and record in results .



English
In English the children will learn to write an adventure story inspired by *The Pharaoh in My Bath*. They will focus on using fronted adverbials, inverted commas, verbs, adjectives, nouns and adverbs while also learning how to structure a story with a build-up, problem, resolution and ending. This book will also be studied in our guided reading sessions where the children will develop key reading skills such as retrieving information, making predictions, summarising events, inferring meaning from the text and discussing vocabulary choices. Additionally, they will apply their learning to write an instructional text explaining the mummification process using clear steps and precise language.

