

Our English Learning

Children will continue to engage with poetry, fiction and non-fiction texts this half-term.

Linked with our fiction text, 'Varmints' children will write diaries in role as characters from the story.

Children will practise:

- Increasing the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting.
- Increasing their reading fluency to ensure they are adept enough to process and tackle Y4 texts with confidence.

You could help your child with their English learning by:

- Reading with them every night and signing their Reading Record.
- Practise their weekly spellings and checking their ability to spell the Year 3 and Year 4 words.

In RE:

We will be undertaking a whole school RE unit learning about and exploring aspects of Islam.

We look forward to sharing our ideas with you through Twitter in the coming weeks.



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The title of our current History unit is **What did the Ancient Egyptians believe?**

Children will explore aspects of Ancient Egypt including:

- Ancient Egypt was located in North Africa and the River Nile was extremely important to its formation and survival.
- Ancient Egyptian civilisation lasted for 3000 years from c.3100BC to 332BC.
- Ancient Egypt was organised as a theocracy and that the Pharaoh ruled as a divine right.

You could help your child with their History learning by researching, through books or the internet, the location of Ancient Egypt and the importance of the River Nile to the Ancient Egyptians.

Other news & updates about our class:

- We will be continuing to learn to play the ukulele; these whole-class lessons are delivered by an expert and are free of charge.
- PE will be held on a Tuesday and a Thursday and PE kit comprises: white t-shirt, black shorts or leggings and trainers or pumps.

No question is too small; please pop in and see me if you have any questions about how you can help at home.

Our Mathematics Learning

This half-term we will be working...

- To describe translations of polygons drawn on a square grid.
- To draw polygons specified by translations.
- To mark the position of points in the first quadrant and to translate polygons in the first quadrant.

You could help your child with their Maths learning by:

- Practising times tables.
- By the end of Year 4, the majority of children should know their times tables up to 12x12, in order, out of order and division facts.
- Every child has their own Times Tables Rockstars login; they should be practising for a few minutes every night.
- You can practice the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) on [urbrainy.com](https://www.urbrainy.com).

In Science we will be continuing to learn about Sound. We will:

- Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating.
- Recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases.