



Africa Class Newsletter

Spring Term

Walk Like an Egyptian

Spring term is already looking jam packed with lots of fun learning opportunities. Please look at the topic web to find out more about what we will be learning in class. If you want to do some extra learning or practice at home then please do and either post to Dojo portfolio or bring into school. We would love to see what you have been up to!

Journey of Discovery

We are traveling to Egypt to discover its location, capital city and the animals that live there, before travelling back in time to visit the Ancient Egyptians! We plan to discover how they lived, their jobs, the food they ate, why there are pyramids, what hieroglyphics are, who Howard Carter was and why he became famous. The Ancient Egyptians is always an exciting topic to teach and we wonder whether you can remember learning about it in school. We have got an amazing company coming into school to bring the Ancient Egyptians to life! A full day of interactive and immersive day of history - more information to follow soon!

Maths

This term we are going to be investigating our numbers to 20. Learning about tens and ones, teen numbers, finding one more and less, and adding and subtracting. After this, we will be investigating our numbers to 50. Towards the end of the term, we will be introducing height and length, learning how to measure and record our measurements.

English

The children will learn to use adjectives, compose simple sentences and compound sentences using the conjunction 'and', as well as consolidating their knowledge on finger spaces, full stops and capital letters. The children will also learn how to write in a chronological order: using full stops, capital letters, finger spaces, past tense and time adverbials towards the end of the term.



Phonics

During this term we will have taught the children all the different phonics sounds that they will need for their reading and spelling. The children will be consolidating their knowledge that there is sometimes more than one way to make the same sound and even trickier remembering which one to use when writing!

Reading

In order to build fluency with their reading, we ask (as far as possible) that the children read every at home for around 5-10 minutes: you do not need to read the whole book in one night. Once the book has been read through twice, it will be changed. Reading will encourage your child to recall the phonic sounds they have been learning and help them to spot digraphs and trigraphs within words when segmenting and blending.

PE

PE will be on Wednesday and Fridays. Please ensure all belongings are named. PE uniform:

- T-shirt: Jade or white with school logo or plain white.
- Shorts or leggings or tracksuit bottoms: Black
- Trainers or plimsolls: Any colour.
- Round-necked sweatshirt: Any colour but plain.

Hoodies, tracksuit tops and football tops are not permitted. Please remove earrings before school.

It wouldn't be a newsletter if we didn't add some gentle reminders in.

- The most important reminder is that if someone different is picking your child up from school then please let the office know and if possible let a teacher know too.

- Names on absolutely everything please.
- No toys from home should come into school.
 - No keyrings on bookbags.
 - Hair up and no nail polish.

Key Dates

Parent Consultations - Tuesday 10th February

Parent Consultations - Thursday 12th February

Half Term 16th - 20th February

Ancient Egyptian Day - Monday 2nd March

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

Red Nose Day - Friday 20th March

Easter Service - Wednesday 25th March

As always if there are any questions or queries then we are always available for a chat. We are looking forward to this journey around Egypt with you.

Mrs Jones, Mrs Wharf, Mrs Gee and Miss Hoogendyk 😊