

## Our topic this half term is

### Enter the Nile!

#### Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing on the formal methods of multiplication. We will also link our multiplication facts to division (inverse).

To support your child with their maths, here are some suggestions:

→ recalling times tables (begin with 3, 4 and 8). The children have access to Times Tables Rockstars so please encourage use of this.

→ telling the time (any practice will be beneficial. Perhaps recalling dinner time and bedtime).

→ standard methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division (rehearsing these methods will be useful).

→ support them with their weekly homework.

#### Special sessions!

-PE will continue to take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please make sure that your child has the correct clothing including: shorts, white top and pumps.

-Forest School will also continue for Year 3 - dates to follow

Welcome back to a new year!  
We're delighted to welcome you all to the first half of the Spring Term where we will start by engaging the children with details of how to mummify a dead body!

We look forward to seeing you all for our super mummification workshop on  
Wednesday 15th January  
(letters will follow after the Christmas holiday).

We hope you will enjoy being involved with the children's learning!

#### English

How can you help your child in English?

Here are some great ideas:

- Hear your child read. We expect them to read 3 times each week and we monitor who has been reading at home regularly in class.
- Spend time with your child enjoying and talking to them about the book that they are reading.
  - Are they enjoying the plot?
  - Who are the characters?
  - Where is the story set?
  - Why are the characters feeling a certain way?
  - Have you read another book that is similar?
  - Is it a fiction book or a non-fiction book?
- Talk to them about the books that they are reading in their English lessons - one of which will be *There's a Pharaoh in our Bath*.
- Encourage them to read any text - a book, a leaflet, a magazine, a newspaper or a comic. Any reading is beneficial!

#### Topic

This term we are covering the amazing topic about Ancient Egypt and below are some of the things we will be doing:-

**Learning how to mummify a Pharaoh's body;**  
**Creating canopic jars and a hieroglyph alphabet;**  
**Investigating rocks and their properties;**  
**Learning about pyramid discoveries made by Howard Carter.**

**Unlocking the learning at home....**we are looking forward to receiving some fantastic examples of home learning. To support any children who find it more challenging to achieve their home learning we will be offering resources and support within school. We believe it is very important that every child has the opportunity to engage with learning at home. If you have any problems or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.