

Beech Autumn 1 Term Newsletter

Welcome back to the Autumn 2 term, this term we have lots of exciting topics we are covering.



Topic: Tomb Raiders

This term we will be following a creative curriculum approach and our topic is 'Tomb Raiders'. The learning will be cross-curricular and creative.

English: This term we will become reporters, explorers, thieves and common Ancient Egyptians. We will write stories pretending to be Tomb Raiders in the Ancient Egyptians times. We are going to be newspaper reporters and report about King Tut's death. We will explore life as an Ancient Egyptian and research different interesting topics related to the civilization through drama and writing. In English Grammar we will cover Possessive apostrophes, different types of sentence structures, contractions and speech marks.

Maths: We will learn about right angles, multiplication and division for 4 times and 8 times tables. We will be looking at word problems. We will also be learning to tell the time, understanding p.m and a.m, writing roman numerals and telling time to the nearest minute.

Topic: We will be discovering the wonders of the Ancient Egyptians by diving into the history and looking at the location of Egypt. The children will become mini researchers and write on post it notes every time they find interesting information from the internet, books, photos and artefacts. We will be using different sources such as an atlas, a map, a globe and Google Earth to locate Egypt. We will be looking at the importance of the river Nile, to understand where the ancient Egyptians sit on the time line, to explore the different societies of ancient Egypt, explore mummification, explore who were Tutankhamun and Howard Carter and look into some of the Egyptian gods.

Science: In science we will be focusing on light and shadow. We will be discovering what dark is, looking into the difference of night and day, thinking about the importance of the sun, to be reminded about sun safety, to

Upcoming Events

- **PE this term is on Monday and Thursday.**
- Mon 4th Nov-Term 2 begins.
- Fri 8th Nov-Datchet's Got Talent
- Wed 20th Nov-Founders Day
- Fri 29th Nov- Year 3 Assembly
- Thur 19th Dec-Xmas Lunch
- Fri 20th Dec-Last day of term.

Homework:

- ❖ Spellings are set on Thursday and tested on the following Thursday.
- ❖ Times tables will be tested on Thursdays. This term we will focus on 2's, 5's and 10's.
- ❖ Daily reading please record in your child's reading record.
- ❖ English homework is set on Thursday.
- ❖ Maths homework is set on Thursday.

investigate how shadows behave, what happens to shadows at different times of day and explore how light reflects.

PE: This term in PE we will be carrying on with football and dance. The dance has a Charlie and the Chocolate Factory or Christmas theme. The children will create their own routines to the music. We are building upon our football skills and we will do a match towards the end of the term.

RE: This term we will be focusing on the Christian celebration of Christmas. We will be thinking about the true meaning of Christmas.

Art/DT: Our art and D/T will be linked to our main topic of Ancient Egypt. We will be sketching ancient Egyptian artifacts and designing an ancient Egyptian death mask. We will then go on to use clay to make a death masks and to finish it off we will be painting them. The technique we are focusing on this term is shading and tone.

ICT: This term we are going to become online detectives. We will use the internet to find out as much as we can about the Ancient Egyptians. The children will be reminded about internet safety. When they have finished their research they will practice their keyboard skills and type it up on Microsoft Word, this may go into Spring term.

PSHE: This term we will be using our new whole school 'Jigsaw' scheme. Our theme for this term is celebrating difference.