



Kibworth C of E Primary School
Year 5
Summer Term 2019
Pharaohs



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe we are in our final term of Year 5! We hope you had a lovely Easter holiday and are feeling refreshed for an exciting term of learning. This term, we are travelling back in time to learn about all things Egyptian. It is a fun-filled and knowledge packed topic which we know you will all love.

Literacy	
Throughout our literacy learning this year, we are going to be learning about how to write for a range of purposes. Our focus for this term is writing to entertain and writing to discuss.	
Adding well-chosen detail - Diary Entries	Discussions
We will consolidate our learning of cohesion and adding detail in this unit whilst developing our knowledge of narratives. Children will learn how to add extra detail using a range of punctuation and powerful adjectives. The skills we will focus on are dashes, brackets, adverbials and developing character.	In this unit, we will explore how paragraph changes happen for a different purpose and how to use adverbials effectively to link ideas. We will also explore the difference between formal and informal writing and how to switch between the two effortlessly. We will share our debates in front of an Egyptian Court.
Mathematics	
Geometry and measurement	Statistics and time
Children will build on their learning from Year 4 to find the area and perimeter of rectilinear shapes. They will learn how to identify regular and irregular polygons and apply this knowledge to reasoning. Children will be able to identify 3D shapes from their 2D representations and create a shape museum to represent this learning.	Children will learn how to read a variety of graphs and tables and interpret the data given to them. We will consolidate our knowledge of time and apply it into a real-life context to help us read time tables.

Key areas of learning:

Science	Computing
In our topic of plants, animals and humans we will be studying the life cycles of many animals and plants. As part of this, we will study how humans develop from childhood through to adolescence and beyond. In plants, we will look at the different parts of a plant and how each of these parts are useful. We will also classify animals according to different characteristics and study the important naturalists of the past.	In computing, we will be recapping e-safety by looking at scenarios and how best to resolve them. Furthermore, we will be looking at effective and efficient searching to aid our independent research by looking at the use of key words and cross checking with other sources. To conclude the unit we will be writing reports about ourselves and the fantastic learning we have undertaken in Year 5.

Outline of Learning Journey

Week 1 - Engage!	This week we will engage in our topic by participating in some traditional Egyptian party games. We will also spend this week immersing ourselves in Egyptian vocabulary in order to access our topic.
Week 2 - The River Nile	In this week, we will become geographers and explore how Egypt has changed over time. We will discuss the importance of the River Nile for Ancient and modern Egyptians and create our own 3D modelled maps.
Week 3- The Afterlife	The afterlife was incredibly important for the Egyptians and we will explore how they treated people who passed. In addition, we will explore what was in store for Egyptians once they pass and the Gods they will hopefully (or not) meet. We will create our own guide to the afterlife for other Egyptians to follow.
Week 4 - You choose!	In the week we will explore an area of Ancient Egypt that the children have expressed an interest in.
Week 5 - Express	This week will involve us finding a creative way to express our learning. We are looking forward to sharing our learning with you again!

Things that you could do at home:

- Visit the Egyptian exhibit at New Walk Museum
- Watch Horrible Histories
- Research Hieroglyphics and write a secret message to a friend
- Research death masks and create your own.

Here are a few ideas of how you can support your child's learning at home this half term:

- Use Times Table Rockstars to practice rapid recall of times tables. <https://trockstars.com/login>
- Consolidate reading learning at school by using my Rising Stars.
- Continue to support your child's reading and recording of reading at home. Encourage them to discuss what they have learnt from their reading: this may be through clarifying unknown vocabulary or answering the types of questions we shared with you at parents' evening.

Thank you so much for your continued support. We are looking forward to a fun-filled half term.

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Year 5 team