Year 5





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Welcome back everyone. I trust that you have all had restful and memorable summer holidays. Hopefully, you are now feeling full of positivity and energy and are ready to begin a new learning journey in Year 5.

I am Mrs Blurton, the class teacher, and I am so looking forward to all the lessons and activities we will complete together as we have plenty of exciting topics to keep us busy this term. Read on to find out more!

TOPIC

Our topic for the term is 'Pharaohs' where we will learn all about the Ancient Egyptians and their incredible history. Cruise along the Nile, entering a world of mysteries and curses, mummies and kings. Find out about life on the river's fertile banks, discovering Egypt and its fascinating culture. Unravel the secrets of ancient tombs, using historical sources and ancient artefacts. Find out about powerful pharaohs and grandiose gods. Build your own pyramid and apply for the job of Pharaoh. Learn how the Ancient Egyptians mummified bodies, how they built pyramids and discover the treasures of Tutankhamun's tomb.

ENGLISH



This term you will start by learning how to write a non-chronological report which will be based on the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb in 1922. Following this, we will then move to the realms of fiction and write a mystery story (or two!) which will be based on our thrill-packed class text, "Secrets of a Sun King" by Emma Carroll. You will begin to learn the year 5/6 spellings and increase your knowledge of punctuation and tenses.



MATHS

We will continue to follow the National Curriculum for Maths focusing on place value and developing efficient mental and written methods for all four operations. Please keep practising your times tables at home as this will improve your speed and confidence in Maths.

SCIENCE

This term we will be learning about a variety of living things and their habitats. We will be exploring the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird as well as describing the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

COMPUTING

This term we are learning to create a world and an interactive game in a programme called Kodu. We will learn how to create a world for a variety of characters, ending the term by creating a racing game with programmable players and features.

P.E.

Our PE sessions this year are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. You should come to school in your P.E kit on both of these days. Remember to tie up long hair and bring in micropore tape to cover up earrings (if you are unable to remove them yourself). On Fridays, you will be having swimming lessons so please bring your swimming kit into school every Friday (trunks or costume, towel, hair ties). ALL earrings will need to be removed for swimming. Always having the correct kit for P.E. is a small way in which you can begin to show independence.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be given out on a Thursday and is to be returned to school by the following Tuesday at the latest. You should take responsibility for ensuring you complete as much of your homework yourself and that it is well presented.

Additionally, spellings will be set on a Wednesday ready for a spelling test the following Monday. You should be learning these spellings at home alongside any other homework that has been set.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or the Year 5 team.

Best wishes.

Mrs Blurton.