

## **Spring has sprung and Summer will come**

Welcome back everyone. I hope everyone has had a wonderful break in the sunshine and that we are all ready to learn and explore together this term.

Our main topic this term is Ancient Egypt. If you have anything you would like to share or know anyone with a deep interest in this topic please let us know!



### **English**

We will be looking at ancient versions of traditional tales in the first half term to produce some narrative writing.

After half term we will be focussing on non-chronological reports based on our topic. Finally we will be creating poetry using similes and metaphors to create pictures using our knowledge we have gathered throughout the term.

During guided reading we will be looking at *The Twits* and *Millions* (you are more than welcome to bring in your own copy of the text to read from if you already have it at home- please make sure it is named). We will be building on all the skills we have learnt during the year and challenging ourselves and putting them into practice.

We will be having a big push on spelling and grammar this term to ensure children are ready for their next school year.

### **Maths**

Now that the children have completed place value, addition, subtraction and multiplication and division we will be using these skills to solve problems involving fractions, decimals and measures. We will be completing a small unit of work on time. It would be great if you have a non-expensive watch at home that can be worn to help reinforce this skill. It is a very tricky one to grasp but children who regularly practise telling the time at home tend to succeed in this unit. It is great to see so many children engaging with Mathematics through choice. Some children are even getting certificates every week which is really impressive.

### Diary Dates

**Residential Meeting**- 3:30pm Tuesday  
23<sup>rd</sup> April

**Residential**- 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> May

**Class Assembly** – 9<sup>th</sup> July 2:45pm

### **Beach/Forest Schools -**

Rearranged Group A Beach School  
session 25<sup>th</sup> April AM (Parent volunteers  
needed ASAP).

**Ancient Egyptians Trip**- Second half of  
Summer Term

### PE

This term we will be making the most of our outdoor space as much as possible. Please make sure that your child has a hoodie/tracksuit in case of cool weather (it is very tricky to play cricket inside).

Our PE days will be Monday and Thursday in the first half term but please make sure kit is in



### Homework

Thank you once again for the super topic homework produced before the holidays. We were really impressed! Don't forget to read for 10 minutes each day and complete 2x Mathematics each week. I would also like to strongly encourage the use of times tables rockstars (or using <https://www.timestables.co.uk/> if your child worries about being timed until they are more confident). Children who do all these things regularly are making excellent progress and find it makes a difference to their confidence in class.

Topic homework this term will be sent out today. It would be lovely if all children would engage with this this term as it is so great for them to be able to share what they have found out with the rest of the class. Remember: The ideas are just a guide. If you think they are too much for your child feel free to do something that takes less time or that you feel is more their level. We appreciate parents feedback regarding this and take it on

Any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak  
to any of us

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