

### Art

Art lessons with Miss Washington will be linked to our Egyptian topic. The children will be designing and creating Egyptian jewellery.

### Maths

#### Number and Place Value

This half term in Maths lessons, the children will be revisiting some Year 1 learning to ensure they have a good understanding of these before moving onto Year 2 objectives. As a class, the children will be revising their number bonds to 20 and recalling the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. To support the children at home, it would be fantastic to provide opportunities for them to practise their times tables.

#### Addition and Subtraction

In addition and subtraction, the children will be adding 2-digit numbers, including recalling number facts to 20 and 100 fluently, (e.g.  $70 + 30 = 100$ ). It would be useful if the children had opportunities to practise these at home.

#### Measurement: Money

The children will be learning about the value of digits in a 2-digit number. To support the children at home, it would be fantastic to provide opportunities when shopping to ask them to identify how many tens and ones are in an amount, (e.g. 87p is 8 tens and 7 ones).

### R.E.

With Miss Washington this half term, the children will be focusing on Harvest and preparing a song for the assembly. Perhaps the children could research the meaning of Harvest at home.

### Science

Our first topic this year is **Uses of Everyday Materials**, which is a great topic as it lends itself brilliantly to practical investigations. The children will compare different materials and find out how the shapes of objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. Activities to support the children with this could include listing the materials at home that are recycled or finding objects in the local area and identifying the material they are made from, (e.g. a fence made from wood).

## Awful Egyptians! Year 2 Autumn 1 2018

### Humanities

The focus this half term will be the Ancient Egyptians. Children will undertake a range of exciting and stimulating activities and use a range of sources (artefacts, textbooks, pictures and internet) to investigate about life in Ancient Egypt. Why not take a trip to the local library and see what books they have linked to the Ancient Egyptians or research the process of mummification?

### Guided Reading

During Guided Reading this term, the children will continue to develop pleasure in reading through independent and shared activities. The main focus of these sessions will be on **retrieval**. See your 'Newsletter' for ideas on how to help your child at home with this. They will also discuss stories, answer questions based on the text and make predictions. To support your children at home, you could ask them to retell some of the stories they have had read to them in school and ask questions to extend their understanding, (e.g. In the 'Egyptian Cinderella', why did the servants not want Rhodopis to meet the prince?) The children will also be learning about the features of non-fiction books by using these to research the Ancient Egyptians.

### Writing

At the start of Year 2, the children will initially revisit some of Year 1's final expectations before moving onto Year 2 objectives. They will be reading traditional tales, such as 'The Gingerbread Man' and writing their own story. They will focus on using powerful adjectives, (e.g. the sly, crafty fox) to make their writing exciting. To support children at home, it would be fantastic if they could add adjectives to describe nouns, (e.g. the shiny, blue car). The children will also be writing instruction texts linked to the Ancient Egyptians topic.

### P.E.

#### Indoor P.E.

In Gymnastics, the children will be putting together detailed sequences involving higher expectations of body tension and accuracy.

#### Outdoor P.E.

In Games, the children will be learning about how to move and pass the ball in ball games.