

Class 3/4 WL Newsletter

'We can and will succeed'

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Message from the staff:

Welcome back 3/4WL. We hope you had a fantastic break and are feeling well rested. Year 3/4 had a brilliant start last half term, we have been very impressed by your hard work and enthusiasm. We have lots of interesting things planned for this half term and we cannot wait to see what amazing work you produce.

Class Topic:

Our topic this half-term is 'I Want my Mummy'. We will be learning all about Ancient Egypt and pharaohs like Tutankhamun. In history we will be looking at the Ancient Egyptian civilization and writing a diary entry as Howard Carter on discov-

ering the tomb of Tutankhamun. In geography we will be looking at the location and the features of the River Nile.

In art and DT we will be making our own Egyptian masks using paint and collaging skills.

Science:

In Science we will be exploring the world of plants. We will be investigating how water moves



around plants and how different types of plants reproduce.

Maths:

In Maths we will initially be looking at subtraction, we will be using practical techniques and column subtraction. We will then move on to multiplication and division.

In Year 3 we will be focusing on the 2, 5, 10, 3 and 4 times tables.

In Year 4 we will be focusing on the 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 10 times tables.

PE:

Children will be having PE twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays. Children will have PE sessions focused on improving agility and previously learnt techniques. Please ensure PE kit is brought in on a Monday and children can leave them in school until we have completed both lessons.

English:

Our class story this half term is the book 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx". We will be learning about the features of a non-chronological report, writing a shape poem and we will be writing our own short narrative.



Our reading vipers text will also be focusing on the

story of 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx'. We will be using many comprehension skills. Initially we are looking at improving our retrieval skills, as well as learning new vocabulary.

SO SO M PSHCE:

Our unit is 'Celebrating differences'. We will be looking at understanding that everyone is different and how we can accept and appreciate these difference. We will also look at bullying and how we can support someone who has been bullied.

MFL:

This half term we will be looking at Autumn colours and understanding simple commands. We will also be learning



about how to write simple sentences about where we live.

How parents can help at home:

We are focusing on reading and writing this year. Reading really accelerates children's writing so please read at home. Keep supporting your children with homework which is set each Friday. Children are encouraged to practise their weekly spellings and timetables on Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rock stars.

Days/Dates to remember:

- PE is on Mondays and Wednesdays. Children will need to come into school in their full school uniform with their PE kit in a bag to change in to. (It might be easier to bring kits on Mondays and take home Wednesdays)
- Homework and spellings are set on Fridays. Homework and spellings needed to be handed in / learnt by Wednesday.
- Please hand in reading books by Friday. We ask that children bring in their books **daily** in to school so we can also read with them in class.

