

Maths

All children will continue to strengthen their understanding of decimals, fractions and percentages, and be able to use them interchangeably by the end of this half term. Year 6s will also begin to explore ratio and identify the links between fractions and ratio.

[Rapid Recall Spring 1 2023.pdf](#)

History

We discover a broad overview of Ancient Egypt; exploring who they were, what life was like, Gods, mummies and what their greatest achievements were. This topic will allow us to make links between the past and present and see how things that we use today, such as paper, has emerged from earlier civilisations.

At home, can you find anything in your day to day life that can be traced back?

PSHE

Our theme this half-term is *Goals and Dreams*. Create a flow chart showing how to achieve a goal/dream.

Art

This half-term, Mr Smith will be teaching the class a range of skills to achieve the outcome of making an Egyptian Mask. **Research different Egyptian Masks – what were they used for and why?**

Music Spiders will be learning to play a song together as a whole group with all children playing different instruments or singing. This will allow them to express themselves through an instrument and learn how to play together. **What is your favourite song to sing and why? What instruments are used in your favourite song?**

Computing This half term centres around 'Variables in games' and the children will be improving and designing a game.

What makes an enjoyable computer game for you?

RE 'What matters most to Humanists?' will guide our discussions and exploration as we discover what a Humanist believes in and what views they share about the world and society.

Science

Properties of materials is our theme. The class will be 'employed' as material agony aunt/uncles to solve everyday issues caused by the amazing array of material properties. The children will carry out an impressive range of tests to identify which materials are the most suitable for different roles. **In your own home, what do you recycle your materials in to? Why can some items not be recycled?**

English

Journalistic writing is the first theme, this half-term. The children will be using the text Tuesday by David Wiesner as their focus. The children will be taught how to create eye-catching headlines using puns and alliteration. Within the body of their writing, the children will be taught how to use modal verbs, adverbs for certainty and possibility and how to use reported and direct speech accurately. Our second genre of writing will be non-chronological reports.

Help your child by sharing newspapers. Look at their layout and the style of writing they include. First News is an excellent newspaper for children.

PE

Dance is the topic for this half term, and, with the help of Mr Tanner, the children will learn and develop a choreographed dance routine in groups.

Spiders Planning Map – Spring Term 1

In bold, we have suggested some ideas to support your child's learning at home. This is in addition to their spelling practice and their daily reading.