



SPRING TERM 2017 OAK CLASS

Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you of the work your child will be covering in the coming term. Our topic over the Spring Term is The Ancient Egyptians. We will be looking at many aspects of the Egyptian legacy, including the pyramids, Tutankhamun and the River Nile and contrasting Ancient Egypt to Egypt of today. This will mainly be a historical and geographical topic and Art and DT will be linked into this topic.

In Science we will be studying the need for a Healthy Body, quite fitting with the start of a New Year. We will look at diet, exercise, hygiene and how the body works. ***The take home project is to reproduce a part of the human body we have studied, preferably in 3d but not too large and showing detail. A date for the submission of these has not been set, but it will be before the Easter holidays.***

We will be focusing heavily on comprehension in English over the coming weeks - how to retrieve information from a variety of texts and how to improve the quality and depth of our writing in English. **It is imperative that your child reads every night, we know there are some who struggle to do this and should you need any support with achieving this please do not hesitate to let us know and we will help where we can.** A primary focus for Maths is clarifying and securing the formal methods for the four operations, but we will also be working on decimals, percentages and ratio through the term as well.

The PE sessions will be Gymnastics and Dance and when the weather permits we will be working on Games outside. Please ensure your child has their kit in school (PE t-shirt preferably white/blue, shorts or tracksuit and trainers.) The music sessions will continue on Tuesdays, those children who have individual lessons will continue to have their lessons on the days set from the Autumn term.

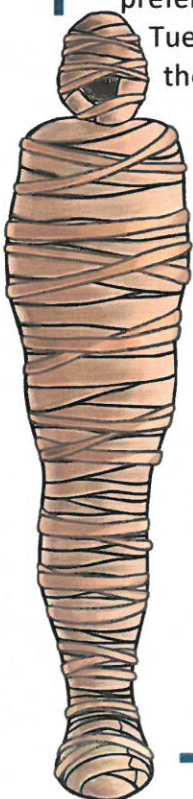
The children's spelling test will continue to be on a **Monday**. The children should be practising their spellings and times tables everyday (times table tests will continue daily).

Homework will continue to be set from Mrs Sexton on a Monday due in on a Friday, Miss Dowell will set homework on a Friday and it will be due in on Tuesday.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

With many thanks

Lisa Sexton and Sarah Dowell



Spring Term 2018
Year 5 & 6
Miss Dowell & Mrs Sexton

English

Narrative / non narrative texts & structures
Comprehension
Poetry / Debates
Speaking and Listening
Reading skills
Spelling
Grammar
Handwriting

History / Geography

The Ancient Egyptians

ICT

Programming
Using the Internet for research
Creating PowerPoint presentations

Religious Education

Judaism beliefs and lifestyles

Mathematics

Number – mental strategies & formal written methods
Shape / Space / Measurement
Data Handling
Problem Solving
Fractions, Decimals and Percentages

Art & Design

Close observational drawing and painting
Sculpture (Clay)
Investigate and combine visual and tactile qualities of materials

PSHE & Citizenship

FRIENDS programme

Music

Controlling sounds through singing and playing
Creating and developing musical ideas
Appraising music
Listening and applying knowledge and understanding

Science

Healthy Bodies
Get Sorted (Liquids and Solids)

Physical Education

Dance
Gymnastics
Games – outdoor weather permitting

Design & Technology

Linked to Art and topic work
Cookery

Modern Foreign Languages - France

Using and responding in French
Correct pronunciation
Asking/ answering questions
Intercultural understanding
Communication in pairs/ groups
Using in real contexts
Simple aspects of grammar