



Parkland Primary School Curriculum Newsletter

Year 5 Term: Spring 1

Reading

Our class text this half term is 'The Ancient Egypt Sleepover' by Stephen Davies. It is a brand-new book, published this year! It has a really exiting blurb and the children are very excited to see what happens next!

"Mo has won a very special prize: an Ancient Egypt sleepover in a museum. However, he has no clue how dangerous it will turn out to be. With a mystery to solve, hieroglyphic codes to crack and priceless treasure to save, one thing is for sure: Mo will not be getting any sleep tonight!"

Maths

In Maths, we are currently completing the last parts of our fractions learning journey, where we are using our knowledge of times tables to help us find common denominators that will allow us to order and compare fractions. After that, we will be learning how to use the written method in multiplication and division. Our times tables focus is 7, 8 and 9 times tables.

Wider Curriculum Learning Journeys

Year 5's new History & Geography led topic this half term is called 'Pharaohs' where we will be exploring the country of Egypt, particularly its ancient civilisations and customs. We will be exploring the famous River Nile and the role it has played in creating Egypt's ancient civilisations, and how the country still depends upon the river in modern day Egypt.

Spring 1 Topic Pharaohs





PSHE and Wellbeing

Our PSHE topic this term is about the Wider World, where we will be looking at money and associated subjects, such as budgeting, 'value for money', borrowing money and financial risk, as well as why people pay taxes.

English

Our English this term, will based on 'The Egyptian Cinderella' by Shirley Climo. It is said to be the original version of the Cinderella story! Children will be writing their own descriptive ending showcasing their learning about cohesion and both relative and subordinating clauses.

After that, we will be stepping into the sandals of an Ancient Egyptian and will be writing a postcard home from the pyramids! We will also be writing to persuade our audience that mummification is a great idea for the afterlife!

The key knowledge and skills we will be learning are:

- Describe settings and characters to reveal mood/atmosphere.
- Use correctly punctuated dialogue to convey character and advance the action.
- Use parenthesis (using commas, brackets, dashes) to add extra information.
- Use a range of subordinate and coordinating conjunctions to extend sentences.
- Indicate degrees of possibility using modal verbs (e.g. might, should, will, must, etc.)
- Use cohesive devices (including consistent and correct use of verb tense) to help writing flow coherently.







Noticeboard

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Parents' Evening - 8th, 9th and 16th February

EYFS/Year 6 NCMP Heights & Weights Measurement - Tuesday 31st January 2023

Children's Mental Health Week and Online Safety Week – 6th February 2023 to 10th February

Half Term

 $(20^{th} - 24^{th} February 2023)$

World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March 2023

Comic Relief - Friday 17th March 2023

Reminders

Water Bottle

Please ensure your child has a <u>re-useable</u> water bottle with them in school to keep them healthy and hydrated.

PE Days

Please remember to send your child into school in suitable, warm PE kit on their PE days below.

5RR – Tuesday and Friday

5NA – Wednesday and Thursday

5AN – Wednesday and Thursday



Headteacher: Mrs Andrews

