

Year 4 Newsletter

January 2018

Ancient Egypt

Welcome back to a new school term! We are now busily becoming experts on Ancient Egypt having had a message from Pharaoh Pepy asking for our help. His father had just died and now he had become Pharaoh and he was unsure of what was expected of him.

Having carried out research, we put together leaflets to help him. You could further your research by visiting the Birmingham museum and art gallery Egyptian gallery. Try some of these websites to find out more:-

<https://discoveringegypt.com/ancient-egyptian-gods-and-goddesses/>

<http://www.historyforkids.net/egyptian-gods.html>

Think



What colour is Monday?

Why

Explain your reasoning on the Think board!



Learning at Home

Don't forget that you can support your child's learning by helping them learn spellings and times tables. There are targets in your communication books, including words that will help them progress, and just 10 minutes reading every night will bring on their reading in leaps and bounds! Please encourage your child to research about topics they have found interesting during the school day by supervising their use of the internet - taking them to the library or a museum will also help develop their love of learning. Please make sure your child's hard work is stuck in their homework book so we have a record of their achievement. Many thanks.

Maths

This half term we are focusing on the times tables facts for the 7,8 and 11 times tables. Please support your child in learning these so they are fluent in their recall of facts.

PE

Please ensure children have a warm labelled out door kit that includes a long sleeved jacket or jumper. The playground can be wet so waterproof trainers rather than canvas trainers are better. Water bottles are a must as we all need refreshment after such intensive sessions.



Visitor

We were visited on Thursday 18th January by the time travelling historian Professor McGinty, whose mission was to teach us more about Ancient Egyptian life. The children were included in visual demonstrations, dressing up and getting into character.

Cross Country

Children have been busy training for the upcoming cross country events. If your child is taking part in the training sessions during Friday challenge time, please ensure their outdoor kit is in school every Friday. Kits will need to go home afterwards for washing if it has been a wet and day.

E-safety

With all the new devices that have arrived over Christmas we would like to ask parents to reinforce the message of e-safety and for children to report anything they are concerned about to you. Also a reminder that children are playing, watching and downloading age appropriate material.

Dates for the diary



4H Class Assembly - Thursday 25th January
4E Class Assembly - Thursday 15th February
4B Class Assembly - Thursday 8th February
Cross Country Heats - Friday 9th February