

Topic: From Ancient Egypt		
<p>In Literacy, your child will be learning the following key skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Writing in formal language ▪ Writing in informal language ▪ Compose a piece of narrative story writing ▪ Writing in past tense ▪ Using adjectives to describe ▪ Writing in third person ▪ Conjunctions of time ▪ Writing dialogue between characters ▪ Using similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia and personification <p>Books we will be reading:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 'Flat Stanley and the Great Egyptian Grave Robbery' by S Pennypacker 	<p>In Maths, your child will be learning the following key skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The place value of the numerals in a three-digit number ▪ Ordering numbers up to 1000 ▪ Completing number patterns by counting in 4s, 8s, 50s and 100s ▪ Estimating the answers to a calculation ▪ Mental arithmetic strategies for addition and subtraction ▪ Column method for solving addition and subtraction ▪ Grid Method for multiplication ▪ Chunking on a number line for division ▪ Using the inverse to check answers 	<p>Key subject vocabulary to learn and spell:</p> <p>Science:</p> <p>Magnet, pole, north, south, push, pull, attract, repel, magnetic, gravity, friction, air resistance, movement.</p> <p>Topic:</p> <p>Egypt, Cairo, Pharaoh, pyramid, canopic jar, mummy, mummification, Sphinx, Tutankhamun, Nile, tomb, hieroglyphs, coffin, archaeologist, chronological, papyrus</p>
<p>Educational Visit: We will be visiting a local Gurdwara to coincide with our RE Day learning.</p>	<p>Key Maths vocabulary to learn and spell:</p> <p>Hundreds, thousands, million, eighth, third, fifth, tenth, proportion, numeral, estimate, inverse, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division.</p>	
<p>Grammar: definitions to learn</p> <p>Suffixes: a selection of letters that is added onto the end of a word to change the word's class, or meaning.</p> <p>Prefixes: a selection of letters that is added onto the start of a word to change the word's class, or meaning.</p>		

<p>Adverb: a word that describes a verb.</p> <p>Adjective: a word that describes a noun.</p> <p>Noun: a person, object, thing or place.</p> <p>Apostrophe: a punctuation mark that is used to indicate possession or contraction.</p> <p>Subordinating Conjunction: a word that is used to link two phrases – one of which depends on the other in order to make sense – i.e. does not make sense by itself.</p> <p>Coordinating Conjunction: a conjunction placed between words, phrases, clauses, or sentences of equal importance, e.g. <i>and, but, or</i>.</p>		
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<p>Your child will also be learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> About life in Ancient Egypt; placing key events in chronological order, explaining key historical findings in Ancient Egypt, how life is different, what the Egyptians invented, and explaining the ancient process of mummification. The importance of magnets and forces, and how the role they play in the world around us (Science). How to design and conduct a scientific experiment (Science). How to publish information electronically using a range of apps and websites (Computing). How to create a traditional Egyptian meal, using safe chopping and cooking methods (D & T). The importance of new beginnings and how to manage change (PSHE). The importance of a Gurdwara, and the role it has in the Sikh religion (RE). 	<p>Learn by heart: 3 and 4 Times tables – multiplication and division facts</p> <p>1 x 3 = 3</p> <p>2 x 3 = 6</p> <p>3 x 3 = 9</p> <p>4 x 3 = 12</p> <p>5 x 3 = 15</p> <p>6 x 3 = 18</p> <p>7 x 3 = 21</p> <p>8 x 3 = 24</p> <p>9 x 3 = 27</p> <p>10 x 3 = 30</p> <p>11 x 3 = 33</p> <p>12 x 3 = 36</p>	<p>1 x 4 = 4</p> <p>2 x 4 = 8</p> <p>3 x 4 = 12</p> <p>4 x 4 = 16</p> <p>5 x 4 = 20</p> <p>6 x 4 = 24</p> <p>7 x 4 = 28</p> <p>8 x 4 = 32</p> <p>9 x 4 = 36</p> <p>10 x 4 = 40</p> <p>11 x 4 = 44</p> <p>12 x 3 = 48</p>	<p>Spellings (Spelling Bee): learn to spell</p> <p>accident(ally), actual(ly), address, answer, century, certain, circle, complete, consider, exercise, experience, experiment, extreme, famous, height, history</p>
<p>You can help your child by: Helping them to learn their spellings and what they mean by looking them up in the dictionary and using them when talking and writing. Completing the home learning project to develop knowledge about the topic. Learning key number facts – multiplication and division. Helping them to memorise and recite ‘Melvin the Mummy’ by Kenn Nesbitt (see below), asking questions about what the poem is about.</p>			

Poetry- Year 3, Autumn 1

As part of the National Curriculum for English, children must be able to learn, by heart, recite and perform poetry. Every half term, a new poem will be given to each year group. Time should be spent learning the poem at home, there will be opportunities to practise and perform in school.

Possible home learning activities to extend children's understanding of the poem:

- Find the meanings of the words in **bold**
- Draw a picture to illustrate the poem
- What Topic vocabulary can you identify?
- What are your favourite phrases in this poem? Why?
- Does this poem remind you about any other poems or stories you know?

Melvin the Mummy
By Kenn Nesbitt

Melvin the mummy, who lived near the Nile,
had worked as a mummy for more than a while,
for mummies can go their entire careers
without a **vacation** for thousands of years.

He guarded the pyramids day after day
to frighten the burglars and **bandits** away,
which meant, as he stood watching over the **pharaohs**,
he often got shot at with bullets and arrows.

His job was so stressful, the pay was so poor,
but, still, Melvin stayed and protected the door.

Until he got sick of his sad **situation**
and knew that he needed to take a vacation.

His **crypt** was so dark and so cold and so **clammy**,
he packed up his swimsuit and flew to Miami.
He thought he would stay there for just a few days,
enjoying the beach and **absorbing** some rays.

But, sadly, poor Melvin would never return,
and this is a lesson all mummies should learn:
Don't take any trips or, like Melvin, you'll find
vacations make mummies relax and **unwind**.