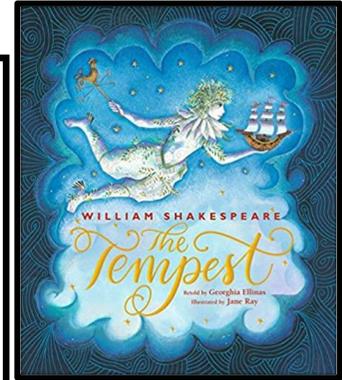


Year 4 - Spring 1



This term in History we are learning about the Ancient Egyptians. We will begin our learning by mummifying a tomato just like the Egyptians did to their Pharaohs. Children will locate Egypt on a map and identify the key features including the River Nile. We will learn about important Pharaohs as well as key people involved in the discovery of their tombs. We will learn about chronology and begin to piece together a timeline of known periods of history. Children will have the opportunity to explore Egyptian hieroglyphics and write their own name using them. In science we will be learning about electricity and testing electrical circuits. Our RE lessons will focus on the study of Hinduism and in Computing we begin our programming unit looking at how to repeat patterns using code.



English:

In English, we will be studying the William Shakespeare play 'The Tempest'. It will involve lots of drama as the children explore the characters. We will be reading a story version of the play and studying the plot before writing a ships log, a job letter of application as well as setting descriptions. We will then move on to writing a non-chronological report about the Egyptians and read the story of The Egyptian Cinderella. In Year 4 children will be developing their use of fronted adverbials, conjunctions, commas and expanded noun phrases.

Maths:

This term, Year 4 will be continuing their learning of multiplication and division. It is important that the children can recall their times tables facts up to 12×12 and know the corresponding division fact. We will then progress onto using a formal written method of multiplication and division. Towards the end of this term we will then transfer our knowledge of number and calculation through to learning about fractions and decimals. We will compare and order fractions and learn the value of the digits in numbers with 2 decimal places.

Ways to help at home:

- Listen to your child read each day. Every child takes home a levelled reading book.
- Visit the local library (Weston Favell)
- Test your child on their weekly spellings and times tables up to their 12s. If they know them, start looking at division too.
- Discuss with your children what facts they have learnt during their Science and History lessons.

Other information:

- P.E. will be Dance on a Tuesday
- Homework will set on Teams every Wednesday and is due the following Tuesday.
- Homework club happens every Wednesday after school