

Year Four Newsletter, Autumn 2 2023

Our mathematical focus will be to do with area and multiplication and division. We will learn how to calculate the area of rectilinear shapes accurately by counting squares and comparing different shapes using the greater than and less than symbols.

We will also be continuing to practise our quick recall of x2 x3 x4 x5 and x10 times tables. Later on in the term, we will start to look at x11 x12, multiplying by 1 and 0, dividing a number by 1 and itself and multiplying 3 numbers.

In English, we will continue to look at Ancient Egypt and use our growing knowledge to learn about and document more aspects of Ancient Egypt such as mummification, Gods and Goddesses, food and daily life. One area we will look at in detail will be the mummification process and link this with our science work around teeth and the digestive system.

We will use information that we gained during Mr Egypt's visit to St John's and write a recount of his visit. We will also do some writing around Remembrance Day and what it was like in the trenches in WW1.

As **Musicians**, we will all continue to learn our songs and appreciate music from our Charanga scheme.

In **RE** we will look at understanding Christianity through incarnation, how God came to Earth in human form and What is the Trinity?

During **French**, we continue to revisit areas covered in Year 3 and progress with our 'Getting to Know You' topic. The children will be introduced to new vocabulary and questions such as "Quel age as-tu?"

Key Dates:

Thurs Dec 7th Theatre Trip – details to follow

Fri Dec 15th LAST DAY.

Things to remember:

Classrooms are open from 8.35am.

PE is on **Tuesday** and **Thursday**. (Red top, black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and daps or trainers.)

A **COAT**

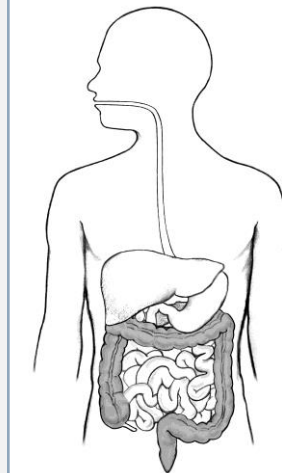


HOMEWORK

READING: Your child needs to, ideally, read to you every day.

MATHS: Children need to consolidate and learn their times tables to 12x12, both in and out of order! Use TT Rockstars, or chant or quick fire questions (Challenge – corresponding division facts)

SPELLINGS: Weekly spelling via Spelling Shed



As **Scientists**, we will begin to learn about the human body. We will look at different types of teeth and their function as well as learn about the digestive system and how our body uses food to gain energy. This will include some rather fun, and disgusting demonstrations! (Look out for that!)

As **Artists**, we will be drawing a Canopic jar and learning about these before making our own. We will be learning about printing and will use the scarab beetle to produce our own printing patterns.

In **PE** we will continue to practise our basic skills in agility, balance and coordination. We will also begin to learn some hockey skills.

Jigsaw this half term is all about Celebrating Differences. We learn about how easy it is to make assumptions about people based on looks and how these are made by outside influences. We will also celebrate all our differences.

During Anti-Bullying Week we will also talk about anti-bullying, how we can help to stop bullying and how to be safe.

