



Year 5 - Term 5 Celebration Newsletter



This has been one of the most enjoyable terms of the year! We have enjoyed our learning in Science and Topic and children have achieved work they are really proud of. It was brilliant to see most of you at the Parents' Evening I'm looking forward to catching up with the rest of you in the coming, final term.

The Mayas vs. The Egyptians

Throughout our time learning about the gruesome Mayas last term, we were able to draw many comparisons between the Mayas and the Egyptians. This term we acted as archaeologists studies the remains of each culture and used what we found out to create a giant class timeline of these two ancient civilizations and the UK. We had the most fun looking at ancient artefacts and trying to figure out exactly what they were used for!

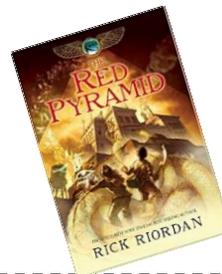


Science

The children have thoroughly enjoyed this term's Science topic: Animals including Humans. Learning about human development from fertilization to old age has been really enjoyable and the children have been full of questions and enthusiasm.

Maths

In Maths this term, we have revised our knowledge of equivalent fractions and decimals as well as practicing co-ordinates, translation, reflection and problem solving. We've been using maths in a cross curricular way, presenting data from our science lessons in line graphs and bar charts.



English

In English we have continued to work through our class reader: The Red Pyramid and are determined to get through the book! We've completed a variety of pieces from letters to stories, inspired by this Egyptian tale. Furthermore, to prepare children for writing assessments in the future, children have been writing their own stories based on an image – having to generate their ideas quickly!



Outdoor Learning Day



What a success! The whole school joined in with National Outdoor Learning day on Thursday 18th May and had a fantastic time. We planted trees, investigated nature in Maths and created new habitats for the creatures sharing the land with us. We're so excited for next year!

A sneaky peek into next term....

In Term 6 our topic is 'Bienvenue en France'. In this topic we will look at Europe in greater depth (including a discussion on EU or not EU!) and then move on to study France. It is a fantastic term to study this country with the Tour de France and the Euros 2016 taking place in France. We will use these sporting events to study locations around France in more depth. We will also be learning some basic French this term. In Science we will study the life cycles of mammals, birds, amphibians and plants. This will involve research, practical work and explanation using key vocabulary. (Please see the vocabulary list for our science topic below.)



Bienvenue en France vocabulary:

Europe- EU, Euro, France, continent

Position – longitude, latitude, Greenwich Meridian

Geographical – human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers)

School trip!

Next term we will be visiting the Maidstone Museum to take part in an Egyptian day. We've booked two fantastic workshops so make sure permission slips and payment is returned to school as soon as possible!

General class information:

Homework is given on Fridays and will always include pages in the child's CGP books (which should be handed in weekly) and My Maths homework online.

If there are any problems with accessing My Maths, please speak to us.

Please ensure your child comes to school with their planners each term. This is an excellent communication tool for school and home and is relied upon for recording homework.



Please do arrange to see us with any questions.

Miss Lewis and Miss Spencer