Our PE this Half Term

This half term the children will be focussing on the skills associated with basketball. They will be dribbling, passing, pivoting and shooting, applying these skills into small sided games. Children will also have the opportunity to take on leadership roles and refereeing matches. PE for Year 5 is on Thursday's, children to come to school dressed in PE Kit.

Our RE this Half Term

This half term our key concept will be interpretation where the children will understand that religions teachings and practices can be interpreted in various ways. They will enquire how the Christmas story can be interpreted through different teachings of Christianity.

How can you help at home?

Reading - Please take time to read with your child at home and encourage them to explore as many different text types as they can. Our expectation is that pupils are to read at home at least three times a week and that these reads are recorded on the Go Read app. If you forget your log in, please ask your child's class teacher and we can send the log -ins home again!

<u>Maths</u> - Encourage your child to practise their recall of times tables facts as this will really support their arithmetic which our focus this half term.

<u>Writing</u> - Encourage your child to complete written homework to a high standard. Check their writing for spelling mistakes and capital letters and full stops as well as having the expectation that they do it in their best handwriting.

<u>Homework</u> - Homework will be set on a Tuesday and due in the following Tuesday. Children will come home with their homework books and best presentation is expected.

Dates for your Diary

Fri 12th Nov 2021 – Development Day - School closed to pupils.

Mon 29th Nov and Wed 1st Dec 2021 - Parents' Meetings.

Fri 10th Dec 2021 - Mayflower Theatre Trip.

Mon 13th Dec - Fri 17th Dec 2021 - History Deep Week - Egyptians.

Tues 22nd Dec 2021 - Last day of term - Early Closing.

Wed 22nd Dec 2021 - Mon 3rd Jan 2022 - Christmas Holidays.



Nine Acres Primary School Autumn Term 2 2021

Year 5 Team











Dear Parents & Carers.

We hope you have all enjoyed the two-week half term whether that's having a rest, finally getting to see friends and family or spending quality time together. It has been a delight being back in the classroom and we are all so proud of the enthusiasm with which the children have returned to school.

This half term, PE will take place on a Thursday. We are still asking that children come into school in their PE kits and that you make sure they have a drink on this day. The weather has certainly turned, with crisp mornings and dark evenings so please ensure that your children are coming into school with a jumper and coat for break and lunchtimes and wrapped up warm for their PE sessions so that we can continue to be outside.

In history, we are travelling back 5,000 years to one of the world's first civilisations - the **Ancient Egyptians!** The **passion** for the Egyptians is abundantly clear already and we have been so impressed by the home learning that has taken place over the half term. As we continue to explore various sources, we will develop our understanding of how advanced this early civilisation really was as we delight in their achievements and consider their lasting legacy!

With thanks, The Year 5 Team.



Knowledge Organiser 'Striving for Excellence'

Year 5 - Autumn Term 2 2021 - Do the ancient Egyptians still impact our lives today?

FUN FACTS

- * Cleopatra was the last pharaoh of Egypt before the Romans took over.
- * Tutankhamen was known as the boy king, famous because his tomb was found in 1922.
- * Egyptian men and women wore make-up. It was thought to have healing powers, plus it helped protect their skin from the sun.
- * The Egyptians were the first civilization to invent writing.
- * The ancient Egyptians were scientists and mathematicians. They had numerous inventions including ways to build buildings, medicine, cosmetics, the calendar, the plough for farming, musical instruments, and toothpaste.



Key History Skills

Chronological understanding - We

will begin by identifying the earliest civilisations in world history (the Sumer, Indus and ancient Egyptians). We will develop our understanding of the terms duration and concurrent as we look at how long each civilisation was around for and which other civilisations were around at a similar time period.

Source analysis and interpretation - As young historians, we will be analysing a variety of sources to understand the significance of the ancient Egyptian's achievements. From architecture to trade and construction to agriculture we

will truly understand the legacy these inventors left.

Enquiry - Along our journey, we will be asking questions and selecting and evaluating evidence. We will see how there is often more than one side to history and to uncovering the mystery of the ancient Egyptians.

Key vocabulary

- * <u>archaeologist</u> People who discover our history by looking at artefacts that have been found.
- * <u>civilisation</u> Civilisation is an advanced stage of human society, where people live with a reasonable degree of organisation and comfort and can think about things like art and education.
- pharaohs The word pharaoh originally meant 'great house', but came to mean the person who resided in it.
- * <u>pyramid</u> A geometrical term that refers to part of the burial complexes for Egyptian pharaohs.
- * <u>hieroglyphs</u> The term hieroglyph refers to the fact that it is carving for sacred things, but hieroglyphs were also written on papyrus.
- * <u>sarcophagus</u> Sarcophagus is a Greek word meaning flesh-eating and refers to the mummy case.
- * **papyrus** An Egyptian plant whose reeds are slit and placed in layers in order to form paper.

Our English this half term!

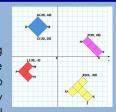
Linking with our history learning, our English text this half term is Emma Carroll's 'Secrets of a Sun King'.

"A discovery from ancient Egypt...A cursed package... The untold of a young pharaoh..."

Our writing focus will be predominately narrative writing with the children rewriting chapters from alternative character's points of view and imagining their next chapter in the story. Before Christmas, we will also be writing some sandstorm inspired poetry as well as some explanation writing linking with our historical learning.

Our Maths this half term!

We will start the half term continuing our understanding of statistics as we learn to solve problems using line graphs, tables and timetables before moving onto multiplication and division. Multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1,000 is a key concept of year 5 that we will



be embedding in our learning and developing our fluency in calculating these mentally.

Finishing off the half term, we will develop our knowledge of the terms area and perimeter and how to calculate them.