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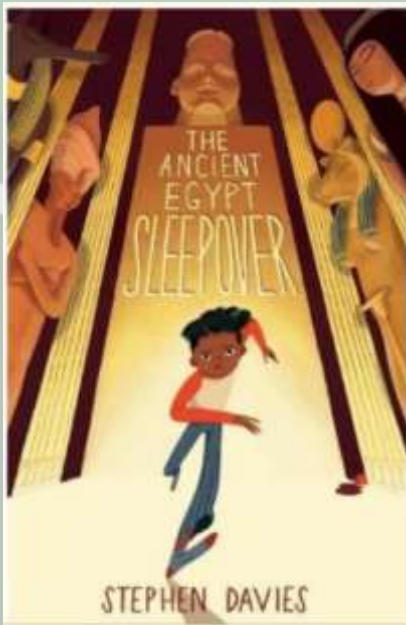
Year 4

Welcome back to Year 4 Summer term and we hope you had an enjoyable and restful holiday period. We have a busy half term ahead and can't wait to get started!. Our theme this half term is 'Walk like an Egyptian' and our reading, writing and art. Extra reading around this area would be fab, as there's quite a bit of technical language to get to grips with. Recommended reading which libraries should have are: The Time Travelling Cat and the Egyptian Goddess by Julia Jarman or There's a Pharaoh in my Bath by Jeremy Strong. Of course, there are loads more to discover and we would love it if children came in with their own recommendations and discoveries!

Reading

This half term we are concentrating upon a book which uses the idea of having a sleepover at a museum (this is a real thing!)

Mo has won a very special prize, an ancient Egyptian Sleepover at the British Museum. But he has no idea how dangerous it will be. With a mystery to solve, codes to crack and priceless treasure to save, one thing is sure: Mo will not be getting any sleep!



Writing

We have covered many genres of writing across the school year but this half term allows us to concentrate on story telling. We'll be using our class read, The Ancient Egyptian Sleepover, as a stimulus to tell a first person narrative! As the story is half set in ancient Egypt, we'll be able to use our knowledge gained from history lessons to help with setting descriptions. We will be revisiting writing dialogue and checking our speech punctuation!



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Spring trips

Last half term, the children had a fantastic time on both of our nature-inspired trips. At RSPB Arne, we learnt about how important our local heathland is to many different species and used our observation skills to compare the habitats at Arne to that of our school grounds. Following this, we were able to make some changes, such as putting out bird feeders and growing native wildflowers to make our school more nature friendly.

Our second trip with Birds of Poole Harbour allowed us to spot some of the birds we had written about in our information report writing - buzzards, cormorants and even a White Tailed Eagle!



Science

This half term, it's all about bridges, and we're so excited to wrap up this unit with a trip to the beach! We will make observations of the four different bridge types found in Alum Chine and even have a go at constructing our own bridges out of sand! Keep an eye out for more details coming soon!



PE

Our PE days are staying the same this half term— Tuesday and Friday

We'll be focusing on tennis and cricket and are excited to welcome in a special visitor in the first week back to get a head start on our cricket skills.

History

We will add to our geographical and topographical knowledge when we study the Ancient Egyptian civilisation in History this half term. We'll even try mummifying something—any volunteers?!

Art

In Art, we will be back to our Egyptian theme and making clay Canopic jars which had quite a gruesome role to play in Ancient Egypt and we will be revealing this to the children in this art unit!



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