

# Inspiring Curriculum Newsletter

## Kestrels

Summer 2022



Our Theme: What did the Ancient Egyptians do for us?

### **Our Christian Values:**

Caring, Commitment to Achieve, Co-operation,  
Fairness, Honesty, Respect



Welcome back to the Summer term Kestrels! I hope you have had a great Easter holiday, full of fun, relaxation and family time. We are all looking forward to working together on lots of exciting topics this term.

<b>Summer Term 2022</b>
Our theme is 'What did the Ancient Egyptians do for us?'
On our WOW Day we will be doing a variety of activities, including creating a scarab beetle as a good luck charm and making a pyramid in which to store things we consider as 'treasures'.
Our Exit Day will be a museum, which will open towards the end of term in July. We hope you will be able to visit to see all the wonderful artefacts we will have made and researched.

<b>English</b> In English, we are learning how to develop creative writing skills in narrative writing and in myths and legends, as well as looking at explanations and recounts. We will also be exploring the features of persuasive texts, as well as promoting grammar, spelling and punctuation during every lesson.
<b>Mathematics</b> In Mathematics, we are continuing to develop skills in calculating using the four operations. We will also work through activities in measures, including time, length and perimeter, as well as shape and statistics, combining these skills in real-life and word problems. Times tables will be practised on a daily basis, in preparation for the Government's Year 4 Multiplication Facts Check in the summer term.
<b>Science</b> In Science we are studying Plants and Electricity. We will identify different parts of flowering plants, explore what plants need to grow well and the life cycle of the plant. We will be investigating how to build a circuit to make a bulb light up as well as which materials conduct electricity.

## **PSHE**

In PSHE, our themes within the Jigsaw scheme of work will be 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me'.

## **RE**

In R.E, we are focusing on the role of Pilgrimage within different religions. We will be learning about why people go on pilgrimages and where they might travel to on their journeys.

## **P.E**

With Mr Toothill we will be completing activities in swimming, athletics and striking and fielding games.

## **History**

In History, we are exploring the Ancient Egypt, learning all about hieroglyphics, pyramids and the pharaohs. We will also be studying the importance of the river Nile and the delightful topic of mummification!

## **Art**

In Art, we are looking at tomb paintings and comparing them with the work of Banksy. We will design and make Egyptian masks, then use a variety of materials to create them. We will also be developing our printing skills.

## **Music**

In Music, our unit will be based on songs by ABBA, including Mamma Mia, Dancing Queen and Thank You for the Music. We will be learning to sing them as well as composing and playing a glockenspiel accompaniment to them.

## **Important Information**

As per the school homework policy which is available at [www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk) homework will be set on a Friday and returned by the following Thursday.

Our P.E. day is Tuesday and our swimming day is Wednesday. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct kit on both these days.

Spelling rules will be learnt and tested on a weekly basis, and tables tests (Maths Challenge) will take place on a Friday. It would be greatly appreciated if you could help your child to prepare for these each week.

Please continue to hear your child read and complete their Reading Record book as often as possible during each week. Discussing and spelling words from the Y3/4 list within the Reading Record would also be a great help. Thank you.

**I hope this gives you a clearer picture of the work we will be covering this term. I'm sure it will be another exciting term of work. If you have any queries about anything, please feel free to email me or book an appointment.**

***Thank you.***

***Victoria Woodgate***