



Waterfall Class Curriculum Letter Spring 2020



Happy New Year to you all and welcome back after our Christmas break, we hope you all had a lovely time!

First of all let me thank you for the warm welcome for everyone and tell you how much I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting and working with the Waterfall Children!

Our topic for this term is "How can we rediscover the wonders of Ancient Egypt?"

The following is a run-down of how we will be exploring and learning about the topic.

Literacy, communication and language

- Using non-fiction texts to find out facts about Ancient Egypt and writing our own.
- Listening to and responding to Egyptian stories.
- Reading and writing hieroglyphics!
- Introducing and exploring new vocabulary linked to our topic.
- Language group: focusing upon taking turns and interacting with others, listening to others, cooperating and interacting with peers, making requests and describing objects.
- Individual literacy I.E.P targets.
- Stage 1 of Phonics Song of Sounds and Comprehension groups.
- Fine Motor Skills sessions.
- Daily Reading

Maths

- Individual maths I.E.P targets.
- Number recognition
- Counting in different amounts (1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 6s and 7s)
- Exploring and understanding place value
- Money including coins
- Days of the week and months of the year

Wider Curriculum:

Science - everyday materials, including exploring how materials used for objects has changed between Ancient Egypt and today.

History - How life was different in Ancient Egypt, and how historians found out about the past using a range of different sources. Thinking about the history of the world and the UK and how life has changed over time.

Geography - what Egypt is like as a country compared to the UK. Exploring and learning about the UK and it's history.

Technology - Exploring how the Egyptians made and used a variety of tools, constructing these ourselves and building pyramids/3D models by exploring a variety of tools and materials.

Art - Exploring the wall art of Ancient Egyptians and what this can tell us about life in the past, recreating these ourselves, observation sketching of Artefacts. Throughout the second half of the Spring term, children will engage in a variety of seasonal art and crafts linked to Spring and Easter.

PE

Dance - Music and Movement sessions - listening to a range of music and learning to move our body in a variety of ways in time to the music.

SAQ sessions: children will all have a daily session of SAQ to develop fundamental movement skills.

P.E day is Thursday: Please can your child have their indoor P.E kit at school.

R.E

This term we will be focusing on 'What do Muslims Celebrate' and learning about the Islam faith. After half term we will be learning about Easter and how what this means to Christians.

Snacks are available twice a day, children may have toast in a morning at a cost of 10p per slice (see letter from PTA re: this). Please remember if money is not received for this, children cannot have toast. If you would prefer to send your child with snacks from home instead then please send these in daily. All children will need to bring in their own bottle should you wish them to have juice but water is available freely throughout the day in the classroom.

We all look forward to this term and thank you for your continued support.

The Waterfall Team

Katie, Louise, Lewis, Julie, Vicky & Karla.

