

History: This term Syllan Class are exploring Ancient Egypt. They will discover what life was like 5,000 years ago by finding out about ancient artefacts and what we can learn from them. We will learn about Ancient Egyptian beliefs such as life after death and their gods and goddesses. Syllan class will learn about how Howard Carter discovered the ancient tombs and also compare Ancient Egypt to other civilisations from that era.



Science: Our first Science focus this term is 'Living Things'. During this unit Syllan will learn how to classify animals into different categories and by the end of the unit they will be able to identify invertebrates and use classification keys. The second topic focus is 'Powering Up!'. During this unit Syllan will learn how to classify electrical appliances, they will be able to explain how to stay safe with electricity and learn how to identify components within a circuit and create a circuit with various switches. Syllan will also investigate electrical insulators and conductors. During both topics they will plan different types of scientific enquiries and present their findings.

PSHE: This term Syllan Class will focus on our Jigsaw curriculum looking specifically at dreams and goals and keeping healthy. We will make New Years resolutions, work out steps to achieving goals and also learn all about healthy friendships and bodies.

French: This term in French Syllan class will be focussing on how to tell a familiar story and talk about sports in French as well as learn the numbers up to 100. Throughout both units they will learn different French grammar, such as classifying words according to gender and choosing correct verbs.



Music: Year 3 / 4 will follow the Charanga programme and perform, improvise, and compose solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments. (Focus: Grime, Classical, Bhangra, Tango, Latin Fusion and Gospel)

English:

During the first half term Syllan class will start off by researching Ancient Egypt facts and transforming them into **short rhyming poems / limericks**. They will also be writing a **letter in character** from the point of view of an Egyptian princess, based on the book 'The Egyptian Cinderella' and an **information text** linked to our science unit. When planning and writing these texts the children will have different grammar foci. The second half of the term will start with a **newspaper report** about the discovery of Tutankhamen's tomb. For the rest of the term Syllan class's writing will be inspired by our class reading book, Varjak Paw. We will learn how to write **Haiku poems** and write an **adventure story** inspired by the plot of Varjak Paw. Novel study sessions will help to develop reading skills: vocabulary, inference, retrieval, explanation, summarising, sequencing, and prediction. There will also be weekly spelling and handwriting lessons.

Maths: The year 3 / 4 children will start the term by learning about multiplication, division and factor pairs. This will include standard written methods and multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100. Following this the children will learn about area and perimeter, fractions and decimals.

The children will recap on previously taught areas for 'morning maths', and continue to deepen their 'times tables' knowledge using TT Rock Stars and 99 Club.



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Computing: The first computing unit this term is called 'We are software developer', during which the children will develop a simple educational game using coding.

Next half term the children will also be coding and learn how to program physical objects.

RE: This first half term our Religious Education will focus on Christianity and the impact of Pentecost. Following this our religious focus will be Hinduism and what it is like to live as a Hindu in Britain today

PE: This term the Real PA units will cover cognitive and creative invasion games. The children will also learn how to play High 5, football and Tag rugby.

Art: In our art sessions, the children will make links Barbara Hepworth and her sculptures. Syllan class will learn about this three-dimensional art and use it to inspire their own works that also use ancient Egypt influences in their designs. They will be using clay to create their 3D designs.

Design and Technology: Our DT this term links directly to the science unit about electricity and the children will be making electrical alarm systems.



Syllan Class Routines Autumn 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE Kit in for the whole week.		DOUBLE PE		Quiz spellings Forest Schools (see separate letter for your child's days.) Take PE kit home.