

Happy New Year!

We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas holiday. Thank you for all the wonderful Christmas presents that you gave to the year 3 team! There are many exciting opportunities planned for your children this term and we are really looking forward to starting our new history topic... 'The Ancient Egyptians'.

Thank you for your continued support with home learning—here is to a great term!

English

This term the children will be writing character and setting descriptions based on the film - Beauty and the Beast. They will then innovate the story to create their own version of the fairy tale. As part of our Ancient Egypt topic, we will be studying Tutankhamun's tomb discovery and write a diary entry from Howard Carter's perspective. The children will also continue to learn the rules for speech and use a variety of fronted adverbials to start their sentences.



Maths

This term the children will be consolidating skills in multiplication and division. We will start working with fractions towards the end of the term. Children will be counting up and down in tenths, finding fractions which have the same value e.g. $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{6}$ and solving problems involving finding, ordering or comparing fractions.



Science

We will continue to explore magnets as part of our Forces topic this term. After half term our topic is 'Animals and Humans'. The children will be learning about nutrition, skeletons and muscles.



Home Learning

Reading

- Children should read **four times a week** and record this in their reading log.
- Logs are checked weekly by the class teacher. Children are expected to write their own comment, reflecting on their reading **once a week**.

Maths/English

- Maths or English homework are still handed out on Tuesdays and should be returned by the following Tuesday.
- Please use TT Rockstars and other resources to learn the 3, 4 and **8** times tables and associated division facts.

Spellings

- Your child has been given a home spelling booklet to practise their words for the week.
- Spelling tests are still on Fridays.

Other Curriculum Areas

History: Awesome Egyptians – When did they rule? Focus on artefacts, Tutankhamun's tomb discovery and hieroglyphics.



Computing: How to find and correct bugs in programs such as Scratch.

Art: Creation of Egyptian sunset silhouettes, clay cartouches and death masks.



Games: Friday morning.

3W: Netball 3H: Rugby (Swap at half term)

Outdoor kit needed.

PE: Monday afternoons—dance. **Indoor kit needed.**

PSHCE: Looking at our emotions and feelings