



# Curriculum Information

## **Religious Education**

This term's topics are about:

People– The family of God  
Called-Confirmation  
Gift-God's gift in Jesus

Please see the separate sheet (see reverse) for more information about the topics covered this term.

## **English**

### **Reading and Writing**

Non-fiction: Children will look at non-chronological reports and their key features. They will produce non-chronological reports about the Ancient Egyptians.

Fiction and Poetry: Historical stories and poems based on common themes.

**Spelling:** Spelling patterns will be taught through the RWI programme. In addition, children will make a note of any individual spellings they need to learn in their jotter. Please help your child to learn these words at home using the **Look, Cover, Write, Check** strategy, when they are given as home learning tasks. The spellings will be tested in school to track progress.

**Reading at home:** Please support your child with regular reading. You can do this by listening to them read aloud and discussing and questioning them about the book. Please sign the Reading Record book on a weekly basis and feel free to add some positive comments to boost confidence.

## **Mathematics**

Weekly topics include place value, ordering and rounding, addition and subtraction, understanding multiplication and division and properties of shapes. Money and "real life" problems are integral to most topics. You can support your child through discussing the strategies they are using in class. Each

week the children will be using TT Rockstars to secure knowledge of times tables in class and they should use the free online resource at home to support learning. You can help them with these and other mental strategies for learning their tables, rapid recall of addition and subtraction facts and telling the time.

## **Science**

### **Teeth and the digestive system:**

The name and function of different teeth, animal teeth related to diet, how to look after your teeth. Pupils will begin to look at the main parts of the digestive system and briefly discuss how food is broken down.

**Electricity:** Making circuits and investigating conductors and insulators.

## **History**

Children will learn about the lives of the Ancient Egyptian people, pharaohs, ceremonies and their way of life including farming methods, pyramid building and the afterlife.

## **Geography**

Children will learn how the geography of Egypt is important in understanding the development of the Ancient Egyptian civilisation, and the differences between Egypt today and Ancient Egypt.

## **Art**

This unit will be cross-curricular and focus on Ancient Egypt. The children will also practise their drawing and painting skills using a variety of media.

## **Design Technology**

The children will design and make a model Ancient Egyptian boat. They will also test their model boats for buoyancy, linking DT to Science in school.

## **Music**

During this term your child will have the opportunity to play a tuned per-

cussion instrument including the xylophone, glockenspiel and metallophone. They will learn about the notation for rhythm and melody.

## **Information Technology**

Pupils will be using Learnpads for data handling tasks. They will continue to develop programming skills using 'Scratch' and will be able to practise skills at home too. We will also be learning about Internet safety.

## **Physical Education**

**Games:** They learn ball control skills and how to work well as a team when attacking, and explore a range of ways to defend.

**Gymnastics:** They use skills and with the aim of showing as much control and precision as possible to produce sequences involving a variety of balances and shapes.

**Dance:** Create sequences to perform for an audience. This will be based on creating an Egyptian dance.

## **Homework**

Homework will be given on a Wednesday and handed in on the following Monday. Each week there will be two pieces of homework, which will either be: Maths, spellings or a piece of topic or Science work. The children will also be expected to read at home and show evidence of this in their reading record book at least three times a week. An appropriate adult should sign the record. Children will be given a login for TT Rockstars to support learning in Maths at home. When children are given research tasks for homework, their notes in the purple book will be used in the classroom to support lessons the next week.