



Crabtree Farm Primary School

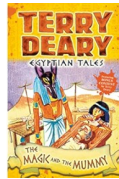
Summer Newsletter

Maid Marian and Little John - April 2024

Year 4 Information

English

In the first half of this term, we will be continuing our learning about the book 'Holes' and writing a non-chronological report. We will then be moving onto reading the book 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane'. We will be writing our own versions of one of the chapters using lots of descriptive writing and grammatical features. In the second half of the term, we will be reading 'The Magic and the Mummy' by Terry Deary. We will be writing an advert for an ancient Egyptian museum.



Maths

This term, we will be looking at decimals, geometry, shapes, measurement, time and money.

We will continue to place a large emphasis on learning and recounting our times tables, up to 12x12. It is very important that all children in Year 4 are confident with all times tables.

As part of our learning, we will also be running a times tables club after school on a Monday, where we will be practicing our times tables, playing educational games and using TT Rockstars activities.

Diversity Calendar

This term we will be learning about:

13/4/24 Vaisakhi - Sikh new year

22/4/24 Earth Day

23/4/24 St George's Day

6-12/5/24 Deaf Awareness

16/5/24 Global Accessibility awareness day

23/5/24 Vesak – Buddhist festival

9/6/24 Race Unity day

16-19/6/24 Eid-al-Adha – Islam holiday

24-28/6/24 School Diversity Week

6-7/7/24 Al-Hijra – Islamic New Year

18/7/24 Nelson Mandela international day

Welcome back to Year 4! We hope you had a lovely Easter break. This term we are looking forward to learning lots of exciting things before the summer holidays.

Geography

Our geography topic this term is 'Exploring Europe'. The children will be recapping the continents before looking closer into Europe. A key skill we will be working on is how to read maps correctly. They will learn about



human and physical geography particularly in relation to Greece. They will also be comparing life in Athens to life in the East Midlands.

History

In the second part of the summer term our history topic is Ancient Egypt. The children will be learning all about these fascinating people; who they were, what they believed, how they lived and what they accomplished.

Furthermore, we will be looking at replicas of artefacts from this amazing period of

world history. During this topic, we are privileged to have

'Partake', a theatre company,

come into school all day to work with Year 4. They specialise in providing exciting, fully interactive history sessions using artefacts, role-play and investigation. More details will follow soon.



Religious Education

We will look at 2 topics in RE this term. The first will look at how and why Christians worship. We will link this to spirituality, including similarities with



non-religious people and how music can impact our emotions.

The second topic will look at Hindu festivals and how Hindu families practice their faith.

School Trips and Experiences

Twycross Zoo

Wednesday 22nd May – £9 per child

Please ensure you have handed in the permission slip and paid the contribution on the Arbor app. If you have any questions regarding the trip or the contribution please see your child's class teacher.

Partake- Ancient Egyptians Workshop

Thursday 4th July – £5

More information and letter to follow.

Reading Books and Homework

Your child will bring home a banded reading book and a free choice reading book. Please read with your child at least 5 times a week. When you sign their organiser after reading, they will move up our class reading charts and earn badges as they go. It is very important that your child brings their reading books into school **every day** as we will be reading our books during the week. Spellings and Maths homework will be handed out each Monday. Please return them to school by the Friday of the same week.

Times Tables Check

All students in Year 4 will be required to take a multiplication test in **June**. It will consist of 25 questions and the children will only get 6 seconds to answer each question. Please help us to help your child achieve the highest score they can by ensuring they complete their TT Rockstars homework and practice the times tables they find challenging.



PE

Did you know... exercise helps improve mental health and well-being?

This half term we have PE on **Mondays and Tuesdays**. We will confirm the PE days for summer 2 closer to the time. We would like to remind you that the children need to wear their PE kits all day on PE days. This PE kit is a school polo shirt, school jumper or cardigan, black/navy jogging bottoms or leggings or shorts and trainers. No jewellery.

Dates for your Diary

15th April - Start of Summer 1 Half Term

25th April - Spanish Day

6th May - Bank Holiday

24th May - Last day of Summer 1 Half Term

3rd to 14th June - Multiplication Tables Check

3rd June - Start of Summer 2 Half Term

6th June - Sports Day

3rd July - Summer Fayre

4th July - Partake History Egyptian Workshop

10th July - Transition Day

12th July - Reports to parents/carers

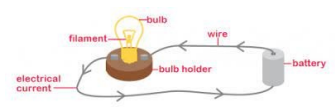
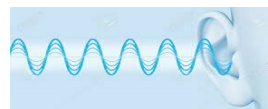
22nd July - Talent Show

25th July - Last day of Summer 2 Half Term

26th July - INSET Day

Science

This half term our science topic is 'sound'. The children will be looking at what sound is, how sound changes and how sound travels. Next half term, our science topic is 'electricity'. The children will explore electrical appliances and learn all about electrical components.



We will be learning through experiments, research and asking and answering questions.

Relationship and Sex Education

In RSE, we will be learning about the differences between male and female body parts. We will also be learning about the changes that happen to our bodies as we go through puberty.

We recommend the following books that support the teaching of our RSE:

- Hair in Funny Places by Babette Cole
- Where Willy Went by Nicholas Allan
- Amazing You! By Gail Saltz

Questions and Issues

If you have any questions or issues with any aspect of your child's school life, please let us know. The best time to speak to any member of the team is at the end of the school day, when you can make an appointment to discuss any issues.

