

Topic Overview for Year 6

Topic Title: A Civilisation Long Ago...Ancient Egypt

To engage the children we will:

- Explore the Egyptian Galleries at the British Museum
- Handle Egyptian artefacts at the Horniman Museum

What the children will know by the end of the topic:

- The chronology of Ancient Egypt in relation to other periods in history.
- The location of Egypt, its geographical features and how these had an impact on its development.
- That what we know about the past is based upon historical evidence.
- The meaning of civilisation, society, the economy, citizenship and democracy.
- Shadows are the absence of light.
- We see objects because light (travelling in straight lines) enters our eyes.
- That the voltage in a circuit affects the output of its components.

What the children will learn to do during the topic:

- Research the everyday lives of Egyptian citizens.
- Discern which evidence from the past is reliable.
- Communicate their learning orally, using ICT and in writing.
- Debate effectively using evidence to support and justify their position and to respond to others' views.
- Experiment with light sources, reflection and refraction to observe and understand how light behaves.
- Observe and explain how shadows change.
- Construct a variety of circuits to produce different effects.

The memorable experience at the end of the topic will be:

First-hand experience of the mummification process using a fish!
Prepare and hold a fish entombing ceremony fit for a Pharaoh!

To support your child's learning with this topic you could:

- Borrow books from the library about ancient civilisations
- Visit museums exhibiting artefacts from ancient civilisations
- Encourage and support your child to complete the home learning, read regularly and learn times tables

PE Lessons

6L – Wed. (Outdoor & Indoor)

6F – Wed. (Outdoor & Indoor)

Please ensure your child's PE kit (including plimsolls / trainers) is in school on these days.