

Emmbrook Junior School



Curriculum Bulletin Year 5

Autumn Term 2017

Year Group News

Welcome to Year 5

After the summer holidays, it is lovely to see the children excited to be back at school, ready to start work in year 5. We would like to say a special welcome to all of our new children and their families; we are sure that they will soon settle into the school routines.

This term's topic will focus on the Ancient Egyptians, which means our cross curricular work will be based on this theme. We are certain to have an exciting and creative term ahead when we delve more deeply into the lives of the Egyptians! This will include writing cartouches in hieroglyphs, creating tomb paintings, sculpting canopic jars, and constructing ancient boats to travel along the Nile River!

The children will be extending their knowledge of materials and their properties in Science lessons by investigating the changes that take place: including dissolving, evaporating, and separating different mixtures and solutions. PE lessons cater for all preferences with gymnastics, team sports and circuit training this term. For our mathematicians, the children can look forward to: studying place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions and statistics. Whilst in English, writing using simple, compound and complex sentences and learning how to punctuate them. As you can see, we have a fun packed term to look forward to.

Miss Wickens, Mrs Foxley, Mr Hewitt and the Year 5 team

Curriculum Information

This is the work we will cover in each curriculum area this term.

We hope that this information will enable you to give support to your child. You could use the information in a variety of ways:

- As a basis for discussion about school and work.
- To borrow from the library/or buy appropriate books.
- To look out for suitable television or radio programmes and videos.
- To look out for suitable newspaper and magazine articles.
- To help your child find suitable information in encyclopedias and from the internet.



First Half Term

Walk like an Egyptian



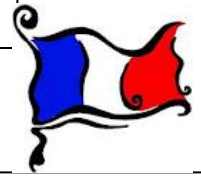
Maths

Place value, addition, subtraction, statistics, multiplication, division
perimeter & area.



English

Film narrative
writing.



Science

Properties of materials.



French

Multiples of ten. When is your birthday?
Writing the date.

History

The Ancient Egyptians.

PE

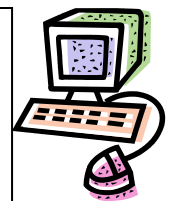
Gymnastics, circuits,
Football, Netball.

Geography

Physical
geography of
Egypt.

Computing

Communicating
and collaborating.



PSHE/ Circle

Time



Music

Our
Community.



Second Half Term

Walk like an Egyptian



English

Instruction writing
and poetry.



Maths

Multiplication & division,
fractions, percentages and
problem solving.

PE

Tag rugby,
netball,
gymnastics.

Science

Changes of
materials.



French

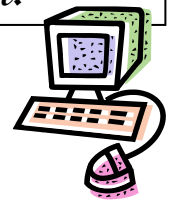
Classroom equipment,
what is in my pencil
case?



Design and
Technology
Construction.

Computing

Music and
sound.



Geography

Egypt's natural
resources.



Art

Sculpture.



Music

Ancient
Worlds.



Reminders

SPELLINGS



- The school uses the Ruth Miskin Read, Write Inc. scheme. Spelling sessions take place once per week for an hour. Children are encouraged to write any spellings they are unsure of into their red spelling book for practice and improvement. If you have any problems regarding spellings, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. There will no longer be a spelling test each week; spellings will be monitored in all lessons. You will receive a list of words which you can encourage your child to learn.

READING



- Reading is such an important part of a child's life. It is essential that children read at home regularly (either with or without an adult). Each child, therefore, is asked to read for a **minimum of 10 minutes per day**. This can be a book (or alternative text such as magazine or newspaper) of their choice or the texts which are brought home from school (or both!). Each child will have at least 2 books that they will bring home each day in their reading folder. One book will be from the Emmbrook Scheme and one will be from the KS2 Oxford Reading Tree Scheme.
- We would like to encourage you to read with your child and discuss the text that they are reading. We will provide questions and prompts to aid this.
- Either you or your child can add information to the Reading Record (details of each reading session per day). However, please sign your child's Reading Record **at least once per week** to confirm what they are reading and how often. You can also write questions and comments which the teacher will respond to in due course.

KNOWING NUMBER FACTS



- This term, we will be continuing with the weekly 'Knowing Number Facts' tests. Children are given a set of number facts to learn each week and their attainment is recorded on a class chart. Please support the children in learning these at home. New facts will be issued for testing the following week.

HOME LEARNING



- Children will be set a MyMaths task and reading comprehension activity each **Thursday** for homework. Please sign your child's homework feedback sheet in the front of their homework book and comments are welcomed. Later in the term, the children will also be receiving their Topic Grid. We will be launching an English grid homework in the near future - more information to follow.

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PARENTS AND TEACHERS

There are a number of ways in which you can communicate with your child's teacher. These include:

- Face to face meeting on the playground at the end of the school day.
- Appointment made by contacting the school office.
- Comment in Reading Record
- Comment on parent feedback sheet in homework book
- Emailing the teacher (teacher's email addresses are available on the school website)

Please note, urgent information must always be telephoned to the school office.

LIBRARY BOOKS (Non-Fiction)



- Children are allowed to select their own book, although advice is given if a book seems unsuitable. Please encourage your child to look after their library book. There will be a charge if the book is lost.

PENCIL CASES



- In each classroom, essential stationery is provided for the use of pupils. We therefore ask that pencil cases brought in from home are small enough to fit into your child's tray for easy storage and that they contain only a spare pencil, handwriting pen, rubber and sharpener.

WATER BOTTLES



- Children are expected to bring a small, named bottle of water into school. However, we must stress this can be water only and any bottles must be taken home daily for reasons of hygiene. Please bring in the filled bottle each morning.

P.E. KIT



- Fully labelled kit must be brought into school in a suitably named bag on a Monday. It will then be left in school all week and taken home on a Friday for washing. Year 5 PE slots are on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** afternoons. Children should have their kit in school every day as there may be additional PE slots during the week.

SUNNY WEATHER



- In sunny weather, children are permitted to bring a suitable hat to wear when they are outside.
- Due to health and safety reasons, sunscreen should not be brought into school. There are many all-day sunscreens available which we would advise you to apply to your child before they come to school.

Dates for Your Diary Autumn Term

September

- w/c 11th - Year 6 Go to Manor
- 13th - PTA Meeting at Junior School 7:30pm
- 18th - Club letters sent to parents
- 19th - Photographs
- 20th - Curriculum Information Evening
- w/c 25th - Clubs Start
- 29th - Year 6 Sharing Assembly re Manor 9:00am

October

- 6th - 5 Maple Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- 13th - 3 Larch Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- 13th - PTA Junior School Disco
- w/c 16th - Maths Week
- 19th - Harvest Assembly (children only) 9:00am
- 20th - Inset Day (children not in school)
- w/c 23rd - HALF TERM
- 30th - Children return from HALF TERM

November

- 10th - 5 Pine Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- w/c 13th - Parliament Week
- 17th - Children in Need
- 24th - 3 Ash Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- w/c 27th - Clubs Finish
- 30th - Open Morning for prospective parents whose children join in September 2018 - 9:15-10:15am
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December

- 5th - Parents Evening 5:00pm – 8:00pm
- 6th - Parents Evening 3:30pm – 6:00pm
- 7th - Year 4 Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal to Years 3, 5 & 6 at 2:00pm
- 8th - Year 4 Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal to Infant School at 2.00pm
- 8th - PTA Christmas Fair
- 11th - Year 4 Christmas Production to Parents at 6:00pm
- 12th - Year 4 Christmas Production to Parents at 6:00pm
- 13th - Christmas Lunch
- 15th - Christmas Jumper Day
- 19th - Last Day of Term, School Finishes at 2:00pm

