



New Forest School Autumn 2 News Letter

What a busy start to the new school year we have had! From the Stone Age to the Ancient Egyptians, already, the children have embraced the array of activities and challenges planned. It fills me with great pride to witness the effort our pupils have put in to their work, and how well they have reflected on and demonstrated this term's value - Teamwork.

We have been fortunate enough to be able to invite parents and children to visit our school to look at what we offer in KS2, especially the children transitioning from the OLC this term, who will be joining us full time in January.

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated to the Harvest celebrations collection. Post 16 staff collected the generous contributions and distributed to food banks in the community.

As always thank you for your ongoing support.

Warmest regards,

Jean Gammon Head of KS2.



Autumn Term 2: Curriculum

This term we continue our journey through Ancient Egypt. Immersing ourselves into the world of Egyptology Biology, we will be 'dissecting' the organs of ancestors from our past, learning the intricacies of our human body and the amazing job it does in keeping us healthy and happy. As we learn about Famous Pharaohs, the Valley of the Kings and the incredible treasures of the tomb: we will be stepping in the shoes of famous archaeologist Howard Carter - uncovering the truths (or not) of the Curse of Tutankhamun.

In English we will be writing explanations about 'How to Mummify an Egyptian', newspaper articles on the 'Curse', and poems about daily life and the River Nile. With our school focus on reading, we will also be continuing our journey through The Red Pyramid with Sadie and Carter - exciting!

In maths, our key topics are measure, geometry, multiplication & division, and fractions; where some of our challenges will include: measuring and converting distances across ancient Egypt, building pyramids and designing Sarcophagus' for King Tut! Linking with art and design, and our study of ancient Egyptian mosaics, we will also be focussing on shape, sequences and pattern.

Other things to look forward to this term include: Egyptian Icon Sgraffito, Symbol pattern printing, and Scarab Beetle sketches in art and design. We will also be walking, dancing and singing like an Egyptian in PE and Music - even making our own musical instruments for a KS2 composition finale!

<p>PE</p>  <p>Egyptian Dance and Yoga</p> <p>To support our nifty 'cobra' moves, if possible please could you send in a white pillow case or white sheet for pupils Egyptian dance</p>	<p>Dates for the Diary</p> <p>Wednesdays after school club is Mechano!</p> <p>8th November - 9th December</p> <p>11th November Remembrance Day</p> <p>19th November Children in Need</p> <p>30th Tiny Tickers Cake Sale</p> <p>15th December Parents/Carers Open Morning. This is an opportunity for the children to celebrate all they've achieved this term, with you.</p>
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The Journey so far...

This term we have really enjoyed learning about Ancient Egypt. The children created books about some of the different gods, created beautiful Egyptian death masks in art and used a desktop publishing package to create invitations to a mythical party.

In English, we have been reading The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan and developing our comprehension skills. We also learned the myth of Osiris and wrote our own versions of this. Some of the children studied rocks and fossils in their science lessons, including a trip to Lepe beach to be fossil explorers. During this time, the other group were enjoying learning at the farm, feeding and looking after the animals.

To support our 'Love of Literature' initiative, and community connections, our children visited the library, thoroughly enjoying the reading experience as much as chatting with the locals!

This year KS2 have nominated **Tiny Tickers** as our chosen charity. Our aim is to raise **£725** to purchase a pulse oximetry machine, to help **Tiny Tickers** reach their goal to place 330 machines in hospitals by 2022. **Can we do it?!.....** Please take a look at their website. <https://www.tinytickers.org>



School Values: *Teamwork, Resilience, Enjoyment, Engagement and Self-Confidence*