

Chestnut Class Year 3

Summer 1 April-May 2023

Miss Anderson and Miss Murphy

PE

PE will take place once a week on Wednesday  
Please come into school in your PE kit on this day.



## English

The text that we will be focusing on this half term is Egyptology. We will be writing our own mystery narrative and a secret diary, focusing on key features, sentence structure, vocabulary choice and use of inverted commas to punctuate speech correctly.

Our reading unit this term will also be on the Egyptians.

We will explore a range of fiction and non-fiction texts throughout this half term such as Cinderella on the Nile and Life in Ancient Egypt.

During each text we will follow the same sequence of read, model, practice and apply.

## Maths

To begin Summer 1 we will be completing our previous unit on mass and capacity. Focusing on the difference between capacity and volume, as well as developing an understanding of millilitres and litres.

Later in the term, we will return to fractions as we learn how to add and subtract fractions.

## Science

This half term Year 3 will be looking at rocks.

There will be lots of knowledge-based learning as we will be investigating the differences between types of rocks. We will be looking at differences in appearance and physical properties of rocks to group them.

Later in the term, we will be investigating how fossils are made and the important role that Mary Anning played in history.

## Geography

In Geography this half term we are moving onto a new topic on rivers, with our over-arching question being 'Why was Chester built by the River Dee?' To fully explore this question, we will be learning about the water cycle and the historical significance of the River Dee.

## History

In History this half term we are moving onto a new topic on the Ancient Egyptians.

We will be looking at where Egypt is in the world, what tombs were used for, who was buried there, what mummification was and the importance of the River Nile.

## PHSE and RE

This half term we will be looking at different people's views and experiences with faith as our question is 'What is my point of view about God and why do people have faith?'. Our aim will be to understand and appreciate that each person's experience with their faith and God/s is personal to them and how our own beliefs fit in with that.

In PHSE, we will be continuing our Happy Minds unit on meeting our brains. The children will learn about the different parts of their brains and how they influence their choices and decisions.

## Home Learning

Homework for the week will be posted on Google Classroom on a Friday and should be completed by Wednesday. Teachers will inform the children how to complete this and place any extra information needed on Google Classroom.

Read at home 5 times a week - Strive for Five! This can be achieved through reading the school book provided or reading other texts that they have access to at home. Please ensure that you write all reads into the reading log and send these to school daily. Every read counts towards their 100 reads, earning them a new book to keep forever.

Doodle Maths and Doodle Times Tables - Access these regularly to ensure that times tables recall and recognition is quick and can support them in their maths work.

Doodle English - Access this regularly to improve grammar, punctuation and spelling knowledge.