



The Bellbird Primary School

"Soaring to Success"

Year 4 Summer Term

PE: Eight weeks of swimming lessons for both classes will take place at SVC on Wednesday mornings from 24th April. Premier Sport will continue to teach outdoor games on a Tuesday afternoon.

French: In French this term we will be learning to describe things and people with adjectives, and talking about what we like and do. Songs, stories, rhymes and actions will be integral to our language learning and our exploration of francophone culture.

Computing: We will be learning to input data on spreadsheets and create graphs. We will continue internet safety awareness and use the programme 2Logo to learn how to enter instructions to solve problems.

Art/DT: This summer, we will be learning about watercolour painting and looking at the work of contemporary Egyptian artist Wael Nour and making Egyptian flatbreads on the stoves.

PSHE: This will be taught Mrs Thorpe on Tuesday afternoons. In the first half term the children will be learning about E-Safety and how we can use SMART rules to protect our own online identities, before moving on to Economic Wellbeing. In the second half of the summer term and will focus on Sex and Relationship Education. Children will learn about the human lifecycle in more detail, how a baby is formed, what it means to be 'grown up' and the responsibilities of parents and carers.

Theme overviews

Our topic this term is Ancient Egypt and we will study different aspects of this mighty civilisation in history, geography, art, D&T and English.

English: In English this term, Swifts and Nightingales have continued to be immersed in our class text *Run Wild*. We will be using the ideas in the text to write our own newspaper reports. We will then move on to the non-fiction text *You wouldn't want to be an Egyptian* by David Stewart, writing instructions for mummification. After half term, we will be looking at the narrative picture book *Leon and the Place Between* and using this to inspire our own narrative writing. Towards the end of the year, we will be learning about Egyptian myths with a study of *The Egyptian Cinderella* by Shirley Climo. We will compare traditional stories from different cultures and have a debate about happy endings. Finally, we will be doing some free writing based around the poetry of Benjamin Zephaniah.

Music: the children will continue to learn notes on the recorder and develop their composition and performance skills on a range of instruments. We will sing and perform a range of songs based on the Ancient Egyptians.

RE: This term, we will be learning about Islam and key beliefs and practices of Muslims around the world.

History and Geography: In our humanities lessons, we will be learning about Ancient Egypt, making comparisons between the modern and ancient countries, and learning about gods and goddesses, mummies and the underworld and the modern discovery and display of ancient artefacts.

Mathematics: This term, we will focus on decimals, money, time, statistics and geometry. The children will learn about tenths and hundreds, and will be able to write, compare and order decimals. They will use the four operations when using money, and will be able to tell the time, converting analogue to digital. In statistics, the children will learn how to interpret charts and use line graphs. In geometry, we will learn about lines of symmetry and using grids to describe positions. All Y4 children will complete the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) between Monday 3rd June and Friday 14th June. We will continue to practice instant recall of tables in school, but practice at home is also very important.

Science: In science, the children will learn about living things, focusing on teeth and digestion. We will then look at classifying and grouping living things, and there will be lots of opportunity for outdoor learning. The children will recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living ..