



Rye Community Primary School

"A Gateway to learning"



Dear Parent Jellyfish,

We hope that you all had an enjoyable half-term break, and are now refreshed and ready to support your children with their last term of learning in Year 5.

Term 6 Learning in Jellyfish

Our learning this term will focus on Egypt and, in particular, the Ancient Egyptians. We will find out about the landscape, climate and culture of Egypt. We will become familiar with the pharaohs and pyramids, as well as looking at how important the River Nile was and still is to the people of Egypt. We will also look at a few animals that are native to Egypt and study their habitats and life cycles. Finally, we will use our creative skills for an Art/DT project.

English

This term, we will be reading and studying the book 'Wolf Brother' by Michelle Paver, a story based in an ancient civilisation. Our own stories will focus on telling stories with a theme of bravery. We will also be working on improving our research skills and presenting our findings using a variety of structural devices.

How you can help your child

- Make sure your child reads daily and discuss the stories in terms of your child's personal reading targets. Don't forget to record reading sessions in the new 'Greedy Reader' booklets.
- With the topic in mind, please find out and discuss as much information as you can about the landscape, climate and culture of Egypt.
- Discuss meanings of any new vocabulary they come across.
- Practise the spellings that are sent home weekly.



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Mathematics

In Maths this term, we will be developing our ability to use formal methods for multiplication and division. We will learn how to convert different measures, as well as compare imperial and metric units. We will also develop our explaining and reasoning skills linked to mathematical areas previously studied.

How you can help your child

- Look for opportunities to talk about maths in the everyday environment.
- Support your child and give them time to use mental calculations skills in real life contexts.
- Help your child to learn his/her multiplication facts to become a Number Muncher.

PE

PE this term will be taught on **Thursday**. Please ensure your child has their PE kit.

Termly Homework Project

You may choose an activity from the following:

- Use your mathematical knowledge of shape to construct a pyramid.
- Make a tomb for a pharaoh.
- Write a hieroglyphic message to leave in a pharaoh's tomb.

Thank you for your support.

If you have any queries, do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Lovell