



With trust and care we will grow and flourish

Year 4 Parents Information Booklet

Spring Term 2020

At Pear Tree Junior School, we believe that learning is a two-way partnership, involving school and home. We hope this leaflet will answer some of your questions as your child learns in Year 6 and gives you some ideas of ways to help at home!

Inside this booklet you will see what your child is studying this half term. Please take time to read through and discuss this with you child.

Should you require any further information about the curriculum or any other queries please ask to speak to a member of staff

Teaching Staff

Class: Buxton

Teacher: Miss Hussain

Class: Bakewell

Teacher: Miss Talbot

Class: Dovedale

Teacher: Mr Hussain

Year 4 additional teaching staff

Mrs Warrilow

Mrs Johal

Miss Aisha

Mr Ozmen - PPA cover

Mrs Osbaldeston – PPA cover

Homework

Homework will be given out each Friday and will be expected to be handed in the following Wednesday. Children who do not complete homework activities will complete them during their lunch times.

Knowledge Organisers

At Pear Tree we have introduced Knowledge Organisers (KOs) in class and as homework to help children to learn the essential knowledge they need for each topic they study. A Knowledge Organiser sets out in detail what we want children to know by heart by the end of the topic. We expect the majority of children to be able to recall all of the information on the KO by the end of the topic.

Reading

Your child will have a home school learning log and reading book, which will need to be taken home and returned to school every day. Your child should read at home every day and an adult will need to sign the learning log to show that your child has read. Reading diaries and logs will be checked every week.

PE Kits

Your child will need the correct PE kit. As the weather gets colder, we will allow children to wear dark jogging bottoms. We will be doing PE on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Over the year, your child will go swimming for a term. Please ensure your child has their swimming kit in school when it is their turn to go swimming.

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform everyday. Make sure that all clothing is clearly labelled.

Websites to help

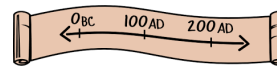
BBC Bitesize, Bug Club, Times Tables Rock Stars, Purple Mash

Science

In Science we will be learning about the digestive system and how food travels through our bodies. We will be doing some investigations and experiments to help us understand how food travels.

History

This half term we be learning about Ancient Egypt and what their civilization was like. We will be looking at their daily life, pharaohs and how they prepared for the after life.



Geography

In Geography we will be able to locate Egypt on a map and locate the famous Egypt landmarks. We will also be comparing Egypt to England and looking at the Sahara desert.



Shared Reading

During our English and Shared Reading lessons, we will be reading non fiction texts about Ancient Egypt to help us retrieve and infer what life was like in Ancient Egypt. We will also be reading Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx.



Enrichment

Trip to Birmingham Museum and experience an Egyptian workshop.



Outcome

To have knowledge of Ancient Egypt and understand what life was like.



Maths

In Maths we will be learning about fractions and decimals. Your child will be able to:

- Recognise and show, using diagrams fractions and equivalent fractions.
- Solve problems involving fractions.
- Add and subtract fractions with the same denominator.
- Recognise decimals.
- Divide a one or two digit number by 10 and 100.
- Compare decimals
- Round decimals

Key Text

This half-term we are reading Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx.



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Writing Opportunities

During our Ancient Egypt topic we will be writing to inform and entertain. We will create a Ancient Egypt fact file and create our own Egyptian adventure story.



Key Question/Topic What was life like as an Ancient Egyptian?

PSHE

This half-term we will be focusing on having a healthy mind-set and self regulation.



Learning Together

To showcase our learning from Ancient Egypt.



Music

In our music lessons we will be learning how to play the flute



Computing

In computing we will be learning how to use the apps Keynote and numbers to input data.



Art/DT

In our Art and DT sessions we will be creating some Egyptian art.



PE

In PE will be learning OAA and fitness.



Languages

In French we will be learning numbers, dates and days of the week.



RE

During our RE sessions we will be learning about Islam.

