

We hope this topic letter will give you some insight into the work your child will cover during this term.

Our inspiration for this term is based on 'Egyptians and Romans'.

We will be covering this history topic over the two half terms from September to December.

The key skills we will be focusing on are: how to be co-operative, independent and responsible, as well as organising our belongings and ourselves!

### **Literacy**

During their daily literacy lessons, the children will be working on information texts, adventurous adjectives, adverbs, commas in lists and similes. We will also look at describing settings and people, creating myths based from those they have heard. They will be writing a non-fiction piece using headings, subheadings and images.

### **Numeracy**

During their daily mathematics lessons, children will begin to:

- Understand the value of each digit in a two and three digit number (hundreds, tens, ones).
- Recognise Roman numerals from 1-12
- Compare, order, read and write numbers to 1000.
- Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits.
- Add and subtract amounts of money to give change.
- Use arrays to represent multiplication sentences

### **Computing (I.C.T)**

The children will be developing their knowledge of information technology by learning how to independently use and navigate around Microsoft Word and Google to create topic front covers. As well as this, we will be learning how to send, open and reply to emails.

### **Music**

The children will be experimenting with different sounds. Following this we will explore how we use our voices. We will also be learning our Christmas songs.

### **History**

Children will be exploring a timeline of significant events that took place during Roman and Egyptian times and the changes that have taken place. We will also be looking at historical characters during both eras, as well as making comparisons within the lesson.

### **R.E.**

This term the children will be learning about the faith of Christianity. They will explore how the Bible reveals God's rescue plan and what it is meant to be a Christian, including their festivals and celebrations, as well as comparing them with other religions.

### **Art/ D&T**

This term the children will focus on developing their skills of drawing and painting people and places. They will have the opportunity to work with paint, pastels and chalk. They will be using their topics of Romans and Egyptians to inspire their artwork, for example Roman mosaics and Egyptian Gods.

### **Geography**

During geography, we will use map and atlas reading skills to locate our topic countries and the surrounding areas.

### **P.E.**

The children will be developing their OAA skills outside during the first half term, and will then explore different gymnastic positions and routines in the second half. Please ensure earrings are taken out either by the child or before the school day.

### **PSHE**

This term's PSHE will be based around the topic of new beginnings where we will be learning about relationships with

each other and exploring our rules and routines. We will also look at getting on and falling out where we will be learning about friendships and how we can be kind to each other.

### **Science**

In science we will be looking at human and animal teeth, digestion and food chains. After half term, we will be looking at magnets and springs.

### **Home Learning**

Supporting children at home with reading, times tables practice, dictation and their fortnightly learning log.

### **Ways in which you can help us:**

- Please ensure your child's P.E. kit is in school every day, as P.E. times may sometimes vary. Our usual P.E. times will be on Tuesdays & Thursdays.
- Please try and hear your child read every night, changing their reading book regularly.
- Please bring your child's book bag into school every day.
- Please ensure your child is in school and on time every day; we hope to have 100% attendance in Doves and Kestrels classes each term, this year and win top squirrel!
- Please support your child to learn their dictation that will be sent home each week - this will really benefit their skills in literacy, as well as speech and language.
- Please remember to inform the school office of any changes of address, home telephone, mobile telephone number or any other emergency contact information.

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to a FANTASTIC term!

**Mr Higham and Miss Goodwin**

# **Buckland Primary School**

## **Egyptians & Romans**



### **Topic Letter for Parents**

**School Times: Class starts at 8.50am  
and finish at 3.00pm**

**September 2018 - December 2018  
Mr Higham & Miss Goodwin  
Year 3**