



Ladysmith Junior School

Year 6 Learning Letter

Spring Term 2 2019

Reflecting back on the spring term

What we have been teaching for the second half of the autumn term:

- Ancient Egypt – mummification
- Writing an Information text on Ancient Egypt
- Area and Perimeter
- Shape and Angles
- Time
- Reasoning and Problem solving tasks

What the children have most enjoyed:

- Mummification workshop
- Making Egyptian wall paintings
- Learning and playing Lacrosse
- Learning and playing Brass

What we have planned for the second half of the spring term:

Our topics:

- Ancient Egypt

Big questions – *Why did Egyptians mummify their pharaohs?*

What do the contents of pyramids tell us about Egyptian everyday life?

How were the pyramids constructed?

- Continue making Egyptian wall paintings
- Making models of Egyptians artifacts

Memorable and inspiring moments, including planned trips and visits:

- Residential trip to Beam House / Activity week
- Drama workshops- six workshops based on an Ancient Egyptian theme run by University of Exeter students

Key learning in reading:

- Reading aloud with expression and correct intonation
- Understanding authors intentions and word choice
- Reading a range of texts
- Develop and practice reading comprehension skills



Key learning in writing:

- Handwriting and presentation
- Range of sentence structures including multi-clause using accurate punctuation
- Using correct layout and punctuation of speech
- Describing atmosphere, character and setting
- Writing a recount

Key learning in maths:

- Ratio and Proportion
- Algebra
- Multiplying and dividing 3 and 4 digit numbers including money
- Solving Reasoning and word problems

Key learning in other subjects:

- Science - Keeping healthy and staying fit - recognize the impact of diet, exercise and drugs on lifestyle and how bodies function
-Light- how light reflects from objects
- Sex and Relationship education (continuing)
If you would like to view the material* we use to teach this area of Science/PSHE, please speak to Mr Broad or Mrs Ellis. Our Sex and Relationship Education Policy is on our website.
*The following sessions will be taught:
 1. Puberty and reproduction
 2. Physical & emotional behaviour in relationships
 3. The process of conception and pregnancy
 4. Positive and negative ways of communicating in a relationship
- Art - Sketching and drawing, painting using different medium
- 3D modelling making
- PE - Basketball and netball skills
- Gymnastics

How you can help your child with their learning:

- Read with them regularly and encourage them to take their Accelerated quizzes
- Encourage children to research aspects of Ancient Egypt
- Ensure children can fluently recall their times tables facts.
- Ask children 'real-life' shopping problems e.g. which special offer would work out best value?
- Encourage children to do their homework