



Curie Class (Year 6)

Spring 1, 2025 Newsletter



What we are learning

Our learning this half term turns to exploring the wonderful world we live in and how it has been formed. In history we will be discovering what life was like in Ancient Egypt.

We will meet a number of famous pharaohs and explore the life of Howard Carter, the archaeologist who discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun. We have lots of exciting

science to investigate this half term. Our science topic is living things and their habitats, so we will be finding out about how we classify animals and explore the vast amount of organisms that we share our beautiful planet with. Our maths learning this half term will involve new topics including algebra and decimals.

In English we are continuing to explore a range of texts for our guided and independent comprehensions. We will be reading *Where the World turns wild* by Nicola Penfold; a wonderful story about two young children surviving in a re-wild world after an epidemic. Our writing will include a non-chronological report on keeping healthy and the adverse effects of drugs and alcohol. Linking to our history, we will also produce an instruction text about how to mummify a human just like the Egyptians.

Finally in RE we will be exploring racism and how religion can help to reduce it.

In a couple of weeks time we will be embarking on our year 6 residential. It'll be a fantastic experience where the children will develop vital skills. A letter will be sent out at the beginning of next week explaining a few key elements of the trip. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Our Value this half term

Perseverance

Spellings

Please keep encouraging your children to access spelling shed at least twice a week. There are lots of fun interactive games for them to be having a go at and will help boost their writing capabilities.

Reading

Please encourage your child to read at home. Reading for 20 minutes a day exposes children to 1.2 million words over a year, and supports all areas of children's learning.



PE Kits Days

Please send your child into school in their PE Kit on **Mondays and Thursday**. This will begin w/c 13th January. Please ensure kits meet our uniform requirements (no wording or branding other than the school badge).

Dates for your diary

Residential: Monday 20th January -
Friday 24th January

Young Voices: Tuesday 28th January

Safer Internet Day: 11th February

Half term: Friday 14th February

Music

Mrs Moulds is due to return to work whilst we are on residential, therefore the first music lesson of this half term will take place on Tuesday 28th January for those who aren't going to the Young Voices concert.

Maths homework

Children still need to practise their times tables every week, through times tables rockstars. I cannot stress enough how important fluency in these key facts are for the new year 6 maths learning.

However, I will set other homework relating to our learning in class. On these occasions there is not an expectation to access TTRockstars as well.

From Mr Priory and the Year 6 team