English

This half-term the children will be writing a portal story inspired by Pie Corbett's 'Elf Road'. The children will discuss and use key events in the story to create their own narratives. The children will focus on building atmosphere and including direct speech. The children will also be writing a non-fiction explanation text on the process of mummification linking to our Big Question topic.

SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)

The children will continue to learn upper Key Stage 2 writing features, including subordinate clauses, parenthesis (brackets, dashes and commas) and use of a relative clause. The children will also be focusing on how to use commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing.

Mathematics

This half-term, the children will be continuing to learn about the formal method of multiplication. They will be multiplying up to 4-digits by 2-digits. The children will also be learning to use the bus stop method for division.

It is essential that children practice their time tables weekly using TT Rockstars or Hit the Button. Each child has their own individual login for TT Rockstars. If your child needs a reminder of their login, please contact their class teacher.

French & Music

Children will be having weekly steel pan sessions (with Mr Sinckler) and glockenspiel lessons on Friday. French lessons (with Madame Norris) are on Thursday mornings.

Events

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day Friday 8th March – International Women's Day 11th – 15th March – British Science Week **Big Question**

This half-term our Big Question topic is 'What did the Ancient Egyptians achieve?'. The children will be looking at the location of Egypt on a map, studying the importance of the River Nile and discovering what life was like in Ancient Egypt. They will be learning about the Ancient Egyptian Gods and Pharaohs as well as the process of mummification.

Science

This half-term our Science topic is 'Could you be the next CSI investigator?' The children will be investigating the states of matter, with a particular emphasis on materials that can be dissolved, filtered and separation. The children will be looking at how scientists have made use of changes to create materials that make our lives easier.

P.E-Sport

This half-term, our focus will be on gymnastics (handstands). All children **MUST have the school PE kit** of a plain white T-shirt, black leggings/black shorts and pumps/trainers in a small PE bag. Uniform can be bought from the school office. PE kit must be brought in every **Tuesday** and **Thursday**.

Homework

Weekly homework tasks will be sent home on **Friday** and are due in on **Wednesday** the following week.

Daily tasks

- Practise spellings for the weekly spelling test.
- Times tables to be practised daily (TT Rockstars).
- Home reading book to be read and commented on.

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Computing

This half-term, the children will be creating musical compositions using the microbits and the CodeMake app.

PSHE

This half-term, our topic is 'Healthy Me'. The children will learn about healthy eating, exercise and how to make healthy choices.

Art

The children will be investigating the work of Adolphe Valette. They will be focussing on colour relationships, and learning to create warm, old, complimentary and contrasting tones.