



The Ancient World

Summer Term 2026

More about our topic...

This is an incredibly exciting topic, and we aim to make it a memorable one! Through cross-curricular learning we will partake in some exciting activities that broaden our knowledge of both ancient Egypt and ancient Maya.

We will be looking at different aspects from each culture in order to make comparisons and links across both. We will also be looking at some key landmarks such as The Great Pyramids and Chichén Itzá. Perhaps even visiting them via our immersive suite!

Pupils will extend their historical knowledge and will be able to discuss sources of evidence and improve our timeline skills.

Make sure you continue to keep an eye on our web page to see the fantastic learning taking place!



English

In English, we will be improving our grammar, language and ability to write for different purposes through our topic. Some of the exciting writing opportunities this term includes looking at playscripts and creating our own myths and legends as well as a range of other genres including fiction and non-fiction. Our new class book will be 'Secrets of a Sun King' by Emma Carroll which links extremely well to our new topic. This is an exciting book about the adventures of the Egyptian desert.



Reading for pleasure and enjoyment will lie at the heart of our English curriculum. Children will be involved in guided reading, voting for and using a wide range of texts, linked to our topic and our school reading spine. They will take part in group discussions and will be encouraged to share their own views and reading interests. Through discussion and questioning comprehension skills will be developed, enabling children to increase understanding and appreciation of literature. Children are actively encouraged to continue reading at home and we look forward to seeing some new readers of the week this term.

Maths

Maths will be taught as an individual subject and will continue to adhere to the curriculum objectives. Teaching will enable children to become fluent in arithmetic as well as being able to reason and problem solve. Pupils will be extended at every opportunity to ensure their potential as mathematicians is achieved. Next term, we will be focussing on shape, measure and problem solving.

Take home task to support work in school

To prepare for our new topic, it would be brilliant if the children could research something that interests them. This can be anything related to ancient Egypt or Maya. Present your findings through a medium of your choice, whether it be a picture, a piece of writing, or a model would be especially good! Please be ready to share your findings with the class.