



Term Ahead: April 2022 - Primary 4A

Dear Families,

Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely Easter break! Below is an outline of our learning this term. You can also find updates on what we are up to on Twitter so check us out using #BalgreenP4a.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Literacy</b></p> <p>Our reading focus this term is on non-fiction. They will be learning to scan for information, select what they need and identify the features of non-fiction texts from a variety of sources. Please encourage your child to read for information this term, especially around our class topic of Ancient Egypt.</p> <p>Our writing focus this term is on writing a fact file, a set of instructions and a narrative.</p> <p>In grammar we will be introducing the use of speech marks, using comparative conjunctions and revising commas in a list and the use of adjectives and verbs in creating character and setting descriptions.</p> <p>We will focus on technical vocabulary linked to Ancient Egypt and continue using the dictionary and thesaurus to aid our writing.</p> <p>We will continue to practice spelling in class. The spelling words are attached to the Homework Wall.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Numeracy and Mathematics</b></p> <p>In Numeracy we will continue to identify, write, order and compare fractions. We will link fractions to our work on division, multiplication and our tables knowledge to find fractions of whole numbers.</p> <p>We will also be learning to multiply and divide numbers using a range of strategies and work on finding the remainder. Continual revision of times tables at home will help with this.</p> <p>We will also introduce algebra, understanding that symbols can represent a number and link this to our Egyptian topic with hieroglyphics.</p> <p>In maths, we will be learning about capacity, measuring the area of 2D shapes, recognising shapes from their 2D net shape and working on tessellating patterns.</p> <p>Any practical work you can encourage using measure in square cms or litres will be relevant.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Learning Across the Curriculum</b></p> <p>Our topic this term is Ancient Egypt so a lot of our work will be linked to this theme.</p> <p>We will be making lots of Egyptian artefacts within an art, design and technology or problem-solving context.</p> <p>We hope to present our work to the parents on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June as an Egyptian Museum Experience in the school hall.</p> <p>Health and wellbeing lessons will focus on our growing bodies, how we develop and how we are nurtured by people who care for us. We will learn that children can be looked after by a variety of carers and who we can ask for help when we are worried.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Administration</b></p> <p><b>P.E:</b> will take place every Friday with our PE specialist Mr Murray. Kit must be worn to school.</p> <p><b>Outdoor Learning:</b> will take place every Tuesday in our woods, at Saughton Park or along the Water of Leith. Children must come to school in appropriate clothing with waterproof coats and footwear.</p> <p>Sunscreen in the summer months or sunhats may be required</p> <p>Windows and doors are always open for ventilation, so please bear this in mind. Your child may want to wear more layers so that they can add and remove clothing as they feel the need. It helps if clothes are named – even initials in Sharpie. If your child does lose something, then please make an enquiry, as the lost property pile in school grows at an alarming rate.</p> <p>Please remember water bottles, especially in the warmer weather.</p>

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us through the school office.

