

Squirrel Class home learning term 1

This term we will be finding out about one of the most famous ancient civilizations, the Egyptians.

Throughout the term we will be using our developing investigative skills to find out as much as we can but there is always more to learn so here are some activities for you to complete at home.

Remember, you do not need to do all of them but you do need to do at least 4. Have fun!!

Mummify a Tomato or Apple: Explore the science of preservation by carving out a piece of fruit, covering it in a mix of salt and baking soda (natron substitute), and leaving it to dry out for a couple of weeks to see how the ancient Egyptians preserved bodies.

Mummification: But what did they do with the bodies? Write a step by step guide to the process of mummification, including the use of the jars. Can you create the jars?

Build a Mini Pyramid: Use sugar cubes, clay, cardboard, or building blocks to construct an architectural marvel and discuss how workers moved heavy stone blocks.

A guide to living in the modern world: Imagine you've been living in a pyramid for 3,000 years and have just managed to escape but the world has changed so much! Write a guide to help them survive in the modern world.

Explore the Egyptian number system: Are their numbers the same as ours? Can you write some calculations for others to solve?

Decode Hieroglyphics: The Ancient Egyptians used pictures instead of letters that we are familiar with, but what do they all mean? Write secret messages using ancient symbols and have family members solve them.

Make a Cartouche Name Sign: Write out your name using real hieroglyphic alphabets and paint it inside an oval outline (cartouche) on salt dough or card.

Festivals and celebrations: These formed an important part of life at this time but what were they like? Plan a celebration, to include food.

Remember, you also have your spellings to be learning as well as reading and TTRockstars!

We are looking forward to hearing all about your learning at home. All books need to be in school for the last week of term, ready to be celebrated!!

Thanking you all for your continued support.

Mrs Cannell and Miss Foad.