



YEAR 456 KINGFISHERS AUTUMN 2 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



This half term our curriculum theme is **Early Civilisations**.



Our enquiry question is:
What do the Early Civilisations have in common?



Indus Valley



Shang Dynasty



Ancient Sumer



Ancient Egypt

ENGLISH - WRITING

In writing lessons the children will be learning how to write descriptive paragraphs and short stories. In grammar lessons, the children will be revisiting how to construct accurate sentences and paragraphs.



ENGLISH - READING

During this half term, the children will be reading a range of fiction and non-fiction texts that are linked to our history and science topics. The children will be focusing upon the skills of retrieval, inference and prediction.



MATHEMATICS

Working within their year group level, the children will be working upon units involving multiplication and division as well as fractions and decimals. The children will also continue to take part in daily arithmetic and times table practice.



HISTORY

The children will learn about four of the World's Early Civilisations: the Ancient Sumer, the civilisation of the Indus Valley, the Shang Dynasty and the Ancient Egyptians. This is a comparative study in which the children will consider the similarities and differences between the civilisations.

SCIENCE

We will be continuing our first unit of science which focuses upon teeth, how the digestive system works in humans and food chains in nature.



DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

This half term the children will be designing and making prototype playground equipment.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

How do religious groups contribute to society and culture in the local area and beyond?

The children will consider how beliefs that Christians and Hindus have influence the way they live their lives.



COMPUTING

The children will be learning about multimedia presentations in computing lessons.



SPANISH

The children will be learning how to say the spanish names of pets, colours and months of the year. They will also revisit language taught last year.



PSHE

The children will be thinking about feelings, rights & responsibilities, being kind and working together.



Music

The children will be continue to appraise different genres of music and they will develop their skills in performance and composition.

