

### **Music**

Throughout the Autumn Term, our music lessons will focus on musical notation and composition. To do this, we will begin by studying some Renaissance dance music. In contrast, we will study a 1960's dance music piece later in the term.

### **Computing**

We will be using a computer program to create our own piece of coding. This code will work in a multitude of ways to control the various characters from Anthony and Cleopatra and recreate the story. We will be able to explain why some of the algorithms may not work and will learn how to debug them when this does happen.

### **Art & Design Technology**

We will be using a variety of medium to create some pieces of art using the Egyptians Gods as our inspiration. Following on from that, we will be studying the pyramids and creating some unique art work using a variety of techniques to display them creatively. After half term, we will be learning about the nutritional value of food and designing and making our own vegetarian meals.

### **Visits, visitors & special events**

Some Year 6 children will be heading to Min-Y-Don for four nights in November.

# Whitley Village School



## Curriculum Newsletter

Maple Class  
Autumn 2019

This term's **BIG** Question for Learning Logs...

## What can we learn from the past?

### English

During the Autumn Term, we are going to be studying Shakespeare and one of his plays named 'Anthony and Cleopatra'. This links to our Humanities study of Ancient Egypt. We will be using the story to write our own narrative, a persuasive letter and a piece of poetry. We will have a daily handwriting session to build up our confidence to write cursively and will be focussing on various grammar features and punctuation marks including: semi colons, dashes for ambiguity and commas for clarity.

### Maths

We will begin our new school year by completing lots of place value and number work. Following on from that, we will learn lots of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division methods; we will continuously problem solve, using our knowledge of the formal written and mental methods for all four operations. In addition, children will continue to receive Athletics certificates for extra activities completed at home.

### Science

This term, we will be studying materials and how and why they change. We will be completing lots of experiments involving different materials and discussing our results verbally and in written form ensuring we are working scientifically.

## History & Geography (Humanities)

Our Humanities topic for the Autumn Term is Ancient Egypt. We are studying this topic across the curriculum and will be completing lots of fun activities to learn about Pharaohs and Egyptian Gods, the pyramids and slavery. Furthermore, we will be studying the physical and human characteristics of Ancient and Modern Egypt, completing some writing based on the River Nile and will investigate how the biomes have changed.

### Religious Education

During our first term of R.E. lessons, we will be studying Sikhism and discussing how far a Sikh would go for his/her religion. After the half-term holidays, we will be studying the Christmas story and discussing what evidence Christians have that supports them to believe it is true.

### Physical Education

During Autumn Term, we will be having weekly swimming lessons on a Monday afternoon. In addition, we will have a weekly gymnastics lessons on a Tuesday. It would be very helpful if the children always had the appropriate P.E. kit in school.

### Personal, Social, Citizenship & Health Education

Our P.S.C.H.E. lessons will support us to talk about bullying, what this behaviour looks like and how we can protect our own personal safety.

### French

We will be learning new vocabulary that would enable us to order a meal in French.