#### Class information:

# P.E.

Our P.E will be on **Monday with Mrs Taplin and Thursday with SportsCool**. Please can children come to school wearing their PE kit.
Remember you may need warm clothing in case we are able to go outside. A reminder:

- Plain white t-shirt or white t-shirt with Plumpton logo
- Dark shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- Blue sweatshirt/fleece with Plumpton logo or Skylark Fed hooded sweatshirt
- Trainers

### Homework:

Please practise times tables on Times Table Rock Stars daily.

## **Reading Records:**

Try to hear your child read 4 times a week and update the reading diaries. Please bring reading books back to school every day.

# Things you could try at home to enrich this term's project:

Visit a local museum

Research a famous ancient Egyptian

Learn about an ancient Egyptian game and try to play it

Draw a picture of your most treasured item

Create a treasure hunt for someone and complete it together

# Our school website address is:

https://www.plumpton.e-sussex.sch.uk/web/

# What to bring to school every day:

- 1. School bag/ book bag
- 2. Water bottle
- 3. Reading record (filled in)



# Welcome to Woodpecker Class Curriculum Information

Terms 1 & 2 2022-23

# **Teachers:**

Miss Daley

# **Teaching Assistant:**

Mrs Crowhurst

# **English**

#### Writing

We will be reading 'Zeraffa Giraffa', a story about a giraffe's journey from Egypt to France. We will practice questioning skills, inferencing and descriptive writing. We will work on using conjunctions, alliterations and punctuation. Later in the term, we will also practice poetry and instruction writing skills.

#### Reading

We will focus on our VIPERS skills, learning more about vocabulary, inferring, predicting, explaining, retrieving and summarising. We are going to read non-fiction texts on famous ancient Egyptians, Egyptian beliefs and ways of life.

#### History

In our History sessions this term, we will be learning all about Ancient Egypt! The children will learn about the daily life and culture of Ancient Egypt and present their findings through a range of different media: artwork, newspaper reports, fact-files etc. We shall learn how to write our name using hieroglyphs, find out about the different Gods and Goddesses and even learn how the pyramids were made. We will also learn how historians use primary and secondary sources to find out about the past and have a go at analysing some key sources ourselves.

#### <u>Science</u>

In our Science lessons this term we will be looking at animals (including humans) and investigating how humans and animals get the nutrition they need from different food. We will continue to learn about nutrients in different foods and why they are important. We will examine the bones and muscles in animals and humans have and how these parts of our bodies work together!

#### French

We will be practicing our French speaking, listening, reading and writing skills throughout the term. We will be learning more about classroom instructions, the parts of our bodies, basic colours and the clothes we wear. We will also learn about different action words to describe what we are doing.

#### Maths

We will begin with reviewing some of our learning from Year 2, then move on to learning more about place value to 100 and 1000. We will practice finding 1, 10 and 100 more or less, ordering numbers, comparing numbers and counting in 50s. We will then focus on adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers, crossing 10 and 100, using pattern spotting and estimation skills to help us. We will also solve word problems to improve our reasoning skills. We will review multiplying and dividing by 2, 5 and 10 and we will begin learning about multiplying and dividing by 3, 4 and 8.

# **Explore:** *Treasure*

# **Our Enquiry Question:**

What was special about Ancient Egypt?

# **Our Key Concepts:**

Power; Spirituality; Fear



# Art & DT

Our skills focus for the tern will be painting and collage. We will be creating our own cartouches using collage and watercolour paints. We will be looking at hieroglyphs and Ancient Egyptian gods, as well as experimenting with how we can add sand to paint to create interesting textures. Our DT skill this term will be creating a yummy fruit salad!

#### P.E.

In P.E, the children will focus on football skills with their SportsCool coach once a week. They will learn more about ball control, passing, kicking and playing as a team. They will also take part in lessons to improve their movement and coordination through activities like dodgeball, bench ball and handball and yoga. These will all help the pupils develop their team building skills as they begin a brand new year!

## <u>P.H.S.E</u>

We will be learning about 'Being me in my world'. We will work on getting to know each other and how to face changes positively. We will discuss why rules are important and how they connect to our rights and responsibilities. We will think about how our actions impact others and how to make responsible choices.

# Computing

We will be starting the year with a focus on online safety, looking at how we can stay safe when using the Internet, how to search and what sharing means, as well as looking at our digital footprints. In Term 2, we will begin our coding unit, focusing on what an algorithm is and explaining that for a computer to make something happen, it needs to follow clear instructions.