Reading

We expect children to read 5 times a week at home and have their reading record signed by a parent. Historically, we know that children who meet this expectation make accelerated progress. As well as fiction books it also important that children read non-fiction books and as many different types of literature as possible. When reading with your children please encourage them to ask what words might mean that they are not sure of and use a dictionary to find out the meaning. As well as reading with you children it is also important to ask them about the plot, characters, settings and language used in the text. These conversations will improve their inference skills and enhance their enjoyment when independently reading.

Writing

Our writing focus is based around the core text Tales of Gods and Pharaoh's and the Ancient Egyptians. Children will be looking at the skills used in the writing; especially in sentence construction and the description of settings. Children will also be looking at a range of genres including recounts, arguments and debates, instructions, explanations, myths and legends, letter writing, classic fiction and descriptive poetry based on T.S. Eliot's Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats. During grammar children will be looking at prefixes, suffixes, forming verbs and identifying, using relative clauses, passive voice; subjunctive mood; using relative clauses; accurately and effectively punctuating dialogue and using the perfect form of verbs.

Mathematics

It is key that children know their multiplication facts. As well as consistently practising them at school children would greatly benefit from repeated practice at home. Children need to know all facts up to 12 x 12. During this assessment period children will be looking at number and place value, angles, fractions, and time. We will also be looking at all four methods for calculation

(addition/subtraction/multiplication/division). Co-ordinates, perimeter, area, volume and rounding will also be skills children will be working on. Every maths lesson will also have a big focus on reasoning. It is key children learn not only methods to complete a calculation but also explore, reason and explain the journey they took to get to the final answer. Bond Builder, Mental Maths Challenge and Table Trainer are all excellent pieces of software. These are available at www.numbergym.co.uk

Trips and Visits

Year 5 will have an Egyptian day arranged where we will have visitors in the school. We will also be going to the Library with year 1 to engage in a storytelling exercise. In April, children will be participating in a Wet Felting workshop where they will be creating an Egyptian display for the school.

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DT and Art

Children will be learning how to make and design a model tomb. They will be looking specifically at Egyptian art and drawing replica drawings.

Science

During AP3 children will be looking at Living Things and their Habitats. They will also be focussing on Animals including Humans and the development process. Children in Year 5 will also continue to take part in a new initiative of the BBC called Terrific Scientific! <u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/terrificscientific</u>

Geography / History

As part of the national curriculum, children should learn about ancient civilisations. We are going to look at the Ancient Egyptian civilisation. We will look at Ancient Egypt; Egyptologists such as Champollion. Also we will complete a study of pharaohs, pyramids and tombs. Children will also have an opportunity to learn about Egyptian myths and tales and how the River Nile helped civilisation.

Practise

Instead of weekly homework your child will be practising skills learnt previously that day at 3pm. However, your child still needs to practise their spellings and timetables every day. In addition to practise time, I will set some projects that your child can complete at home around the current topic that term.

I will be out on the playground at the beginning and end of the school day. If you would like a longer discussion with the teacher please make an appointment at the school office. There are regular Open Mornings and Open School Afternoons for you to experience parts of the school day at both our sites.

Computing

As well as in class use of laptops and Ipads, the children will be learning how to use the computer to create artwork.

Languages

In Year 5, children will learn Spanish.

Physical Education

This assessment period children will be participating in athletics at the Garrison Track. The day for this is still to be confirmed. Children will also be learning the game of rounders".

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education

Our Core Values are on display around the school and we encourage our school community of pupils, parents, staff, governors and visitors to live these values.

The children will be having weekly PSHE lessons and have got targets that will change termly. Their targets for this assessment period are:

- Try New Things: Find things that give energy.
- Work Hard: Understand the benefits of method and commitment.
- Concentrate: Understand techniques and methods that aid concentration.
- Push Themselves: Listen to others who encourage and help, thanking them for their advice.
- Imagine: Show a willingness to be wrong.
- Improve: Seek the opinion of others to help identify improvements.
- Understand Others: Describe and understand others' point of view.
- Not Give Up: See possibilities and opportunities even after a disappointment.

This assessment period the whole school will be working from a scheme called Jigsaw. In year 5 we will be working on the units: Healthy Me, Relationships and Changing Me.

Clubs

Look out for clubs advertised in the school newsletter. Our website <u>www.st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk</u> and Twitter feed @SJG_News give more information and upcoming events.

Year 5 Curriculum Leaflet

for Assessment Period 3 – March 2017

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Teacher: Miss Salmon

HLTA/Learning Support Assistant: Mrs King, Mrs Shepherd and Mr MacKnight

Theme: Ancient Egyptians

Our Core Values:

Be <u>Happy</u>

Care for yourself and one another

Be Inquisitive – ask questions

Don't give up – Persevere

Be <u>Successful</u>

Always try to do your **Best**