

I hope you are all ready and excited to come back to school and see your friends after the Easter break. Hopefully, you are all well-rested and ready to start the Summer term! Despite mixing the school year group together, we are still encouraging the continued use of hand sanitiser and washing hands throughout the school day. We are now going focussing on the History unit 'Ancient Egypt' and will focussing on its Geographical location as well as investigating different events that occurred during this time and organising them chronologically. Games will continue to take place on Monday afternoons and our PE lessons are still scheduled for Thursday afternoon. Spellings and Time Tables will continue to be tested weekly, with spellings uploaded to the school website and Time Tables can be practised on your child's TT Rockstars account. If you have any questions regarding anything please feel free to send an email to the school office (office@birches.staffs.sch.uk) who can direct the email to myself. Best Wishes.

Mr Jones

English

This term in English we are going to be focussing on a mixture of fiction and non-fiction units. These include learning about Adventure stories, which will involve us reading and analysing 'The Wizard of Oz' and Explanations, looking at how things work and why. This will provide children with the chance to develop their story telling skills and the structure that they give their writing.

Arts / Design Technology

We will be focussing on craft this term, using different dyes to help make a range of colour and pattern as well as weaving to create different effects. We will also be researching and creating our own pneumatic toys.

<u>Music: Create own compositions</u> <u>Computing: Email and E-saftey</u>

MFL (French): Clothes

<u>History and Geography:</u>

We are focussing on Ancient Egypt this term, with children already introduced to some of the content due to learning about it in English last term. This unit will teach children the importance of Ancient Egypt, significant events that occurred and how to place them chronologically, as well as important key figures and what happened to their bodies (mummification).

<u>Maths</u>

Our maths units this term will include looking at Fractions, Shape and Time. Whilst learning about these new units we will also be revisiting what children have already learnt in regards to their addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to ensure that these skills are not forgotten.

Science / STEM

Science this term is focussing on two major units: Plants and Animals and their habitats. This will involve children learning about a wide range plants and animals, including how to classify them based on different characteristics.

Religious Education: Sharing special food/ Creation story

PE / Games: Invasion Games

PSHE / British Values: Happy and Healthy Me