## Year 3/4 Summer Term

English: In English we will be reading 'The Egyptian Cinderella'. We will be reading the story, answering questions on the story – focussing on inference questions. This book will also support our writing as we write a diary entry for the best day our Cinderella had!

We will also be looking at Mummies and writing instructions about how to mummify a body!

In history we will be looking at Ancient Egypt:

- Who were the Ancient Egyptians and what were their lives like?
- Why the River Nile so crucial to the existence of the Egyptians.
- Who the pharaohs were and why were they so important.
- What happened to the pharaohs when they died?
- Who the important Egyptian Gods and Goddesses were.
- What the Egyptians major achievements were and why they were significant.

PE sessions will be on Thursday and focus on dance this half term. On PE days children should come into school dressed in PE kit – details of this are on the school website for clarity.

This will provide an opportunity for the children to study balance and movement. They will also build on their knowledge of music and tempo that they studied last half term. This will improve their coordination and musicality. In maths this half term we will focus on time and statistics.

- Estimate and read time with increasing accuracy to the nearest minute.
- Record and compare time in terms of seconds, minutes and hours
- Use vocabulary such as o'clock, a.m./p.m., morning, afternoon, noon and midnight.
- Compare durations of events for
- example to calculate the time taken by particular events or tasks
- Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables.
- Solve one-step and two-step questions [for example, 'How many more?' and 'How many fewer?'] using information presented in scaled bar charts and pictograms and tables.

There will be a focus this year on times tables as year 4 work towards their statutory test in May. Weekly spellings will be sent home to be practised for our Thursday test. Please practise rock star times tables at home and complete tasks on reading eggs.

Home readers will be changed each weekly. Please ensure that these are brought into school each morning.

All children will receive a spelling book, home reader and times table book. All 3 books should be brought into school every day. In science our area of study is forces. We will :

- Identify different effects of forces.
- Identify examples of magnets in everyday life
- Identify whether a material is magnetic or non-magnetic
- State when magnets will attract or repel each other

In RE this half term we will be looking at our local church. We will examine the role of the Holy Spirit. We will investigate what our conscience is and why it is important.

It is an important time for our First Holy Communion candidates as they near the end of their preparation in readiness for their special mass on 11<sup>th</sup> May.