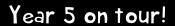


MISS Eccles and Mr. Tracey

December 2016





Year 5 took their learning all the way to Belfast last month, when they went to the Ulster Museum. Children took part in an interactive workshop, they got to handle Ancient Egyptian artefacts and also paid a visit to see Takabuti, the Museum's resident mummy! Our pupils were enthusiastic and well-behaved throughout the day. Well done, Year 5! Check out our class page, on the school website, for photographs of the visit.

Dates for your diary

TERM 1 ENDS:

Tuesday *20th December*

- Y1-Y3 and siblings to be collected at 12 noon.
- **Y4-Y7** to be collected at 12:30 p.m.

KEY STAGE 2 CHRISTMAS DINNER

Wednesday 14th December

TERM 2 STARTS:

Wednesday 4th January, 2017

A Christmas message

As we draw near to the end of term, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support since September. Every child in Year 5 has made progress in many areas. There have been many high points and lots to celebrate this term. The children have been a credit to themselves. their parents and our school. Reflecting on the term, we have to say that we are very proud to be a part of this wonderful Year 5 community!

We look forward to seeing all of our children return, refreshed and eager to learn, in the New Year. Remember, we start back on Wednesday 4th January, 2017.

Merry Christmas to you all!

With very best wishes for the festive period, Miss Eccles, Mr. Tracey, Mrs. OHagan and Miss Sloan



































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Topic

We will be concluding our work on the **Ancient Egyptians**. We will complete some fun and exciting activities to finish the topic.

We'll be completing our Photo-story project in I.C.T., where we are presenting our learning on everyday life in Ancient Egypt.

We will also review and evaluate our learning.

Numeracy

We will be revising multiplication and division by 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10. We will be making sure that we are quick and accurate when recalling our answers.

We will begin to learn about **fractions**:

- revising halves, quarters, tenths, thirds and fifths of shapes;
- introducing mixed numbers involving these fractions, for example 21/2; and
- working on finding fractions of a number, such as one fifth and one tenth; linking this to our work on division.

We will take part in **data handling** activities:

- extracting information from tables and charts;
- recording and extracting information from tally charts:
- displaying and interpreting data in vertical and horizontal bar charts; and
- revising work on Carroll and Venn diagrams.



Literacy

- Our focus for grammar will be to look at verb tenses. In our punctuation work, we will explore the use of **speech marks** and **commas** in writing.
- We will learn about homophones.
- We will start to explore the genre of **playscripts**.
- In our phonics work, we will be exploring ways that we can write the **u** and **i** sounds.
- We'll be continuing with our **joined handwriting**.
- We will visit the **school library** every **Friday**. Don't forget to bring in your book!





























