Mickleover Primary School – History Knowledge Organiser

Title: Ancient Egypt Year Group: 3 Term: Autumn Term

Vocabulary you will know	
ВС	Used to show that a date is before the year 0.
AD	Used to show that a date is after the year 0.
Hieroglyphics	A system of writing that used pictures and symbols instead of letters.
Rosetta Stone	Discovered in 1799. Was written in hieroglyphs, and helped linguists translate ancient writing.
Mummification /Mummy	A dead body that has been specially preserved.
Pyramids	Monuments providing tombs for Pharaohs (Egyptian King).
Artefact	An object, made by a human being, of historical interest.
Tomb	A large sealed room, usually underground for burying the dead.



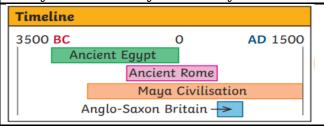
Key Learning

- When Ancient Egypt fits into the period of history
- The River Nile was very important in Ancient Egypt
- The River Nile was used for trade, soil fertility, transport, water and provided them with food
- All the major ancient cities of Egypt were built along The River Nile
- How artefacts from Ancient Egypt help us to discover information about their daily life, beliefs and customs e.g. Hieroglyphs, mummies, pets, gods and pyramids
- How to use a range of historical sources (e.g. books, internet, artefacts) and deduce facts and information from studying them and asking relevant questions
- That Tutankhamun's tomb was discovered by Howard Carter in 1922
- Religion was really important to the ancient
 Egyptians, with a strong belief in the afterlife as
 evidenced by mummification and the many gods
 depicted in hieroglyphs and wall paintings found
 in tombs and temples.
- Cats were sacred to the ancient Egyptians. Every house hold had a cat as they seen as were protectors of families.

<u>Historical skills and concepts</u>

In this unit, the children will:

- Select and use terminology and concepts
- Use a range of sources to find out about Ancient Egypt
- Observe small details—artefacts, pictures
- Select and record information relevant to the study
- Begin to use the library and internet for research



Cross Curricular Links:

Geography

Egypt is in the North East of Africa. Cairo is the capital city today. Egypt is one of the hottest countries in the world - It has little rain and is predominantly desert. The River Nile separates Egypt into two equal parts. It is the longest river in the world at 4162 miles long.



Art

Children understand the historical significance of hieroglyphs and the importance of the discovery of the Rosetta Stone hieroglyphs.

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