

# **Hello Year 4!**

**We hope you are happy and continuing to keep safe!**

**We have set up your topic learning for the next week as slides for you to follow.**

**There will be a mixture of History, Art, Heart Smart and PE.**

**Miss Hill and Mrs Tally**

Read the following information about Ancient Egypt.

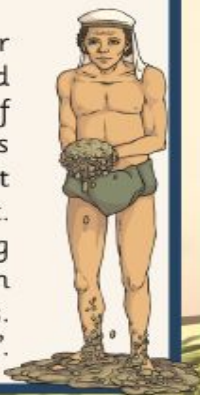
Enjoy learning new facts and then answer the questions to show that you understand the facts.

### ANCIENT EGYPT

Important to survival in ancient Egypt was the River Nile. At 6,853km long, it is the longest river in the world, starting in the mountains of Tanzania and flowing through most of north-eastern Africa.

#### 'Black Land'

In ancient times its soil was rich for growing crops, which fed and clothed the people who lived along the banks of the Nile. Some of the food grown was also swapped for other goods that could not be found or made in Egypt. The land flooded every year, leaving thick, black sand on the ground, which made it very good for growing plants. This was known as the 'black land'.



#### 'Red Land'

Egyptians also had 'red land', which was the red, dry desert where nothing could grow. It protected the people of ancient Egypt from enemies because it was so difficult for invading armies to cross. The 'red land' was also full of precious metals and gems such as gold, copper, granite, limestone, amethyst, alabaster and turquoise.



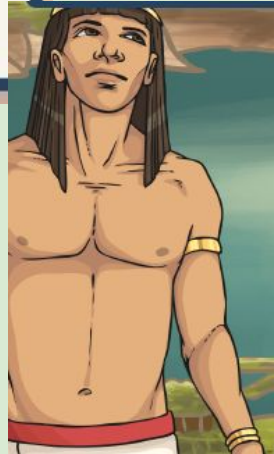
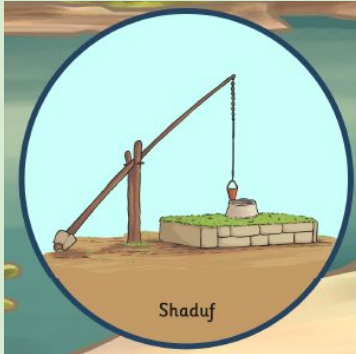
# Monday 22nd June

## History

Read the following information about Ancient Egypt.

Egyptian people relied on the water of the River Nile for drinking and washing. A useful crop living along the banks of the river was papyrus reeds. They were dried and used to make a type of paper. Travelling along the river were traders (people who sold goods), fishermen and sailors, moving materials such as stones for building pyramids.

Pharaohs enjoyed cruising up and down the river. Meanwhile, ordinary Egyptians created different ways of using the river water as much as possible. One important invention was the shaduf. This was designed to scoop water from the river and move it so that it could be sprinkled on the land where crops were growing.



Monday 22nd June

History

Read the following information about Ancient Egypt.

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How long was the River Nile?

What does the author mean by the word 'flowing'?

Find a word in paragraph two that means the same as 'plants': live in and why?

If you could choose to live in the 'black land' or the 'red land', which area would you choose to

Why do you think rivers are so important to people's lives?

Name two precious metals found in Egypt:

What is a shaduf?

How does the illustration help you to understand the text better?

### Answers...

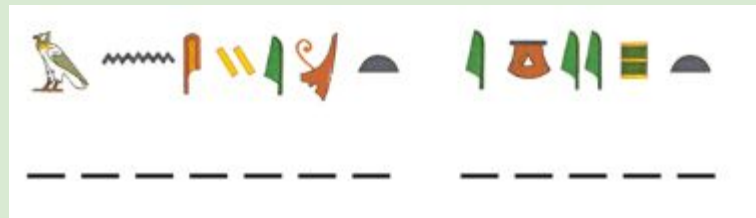
1. 6853km long.
2. Moving steadily.
3. Crops.
4. Multiple answers possible.
5. Rivers bring water. Water is essential for life to survive: human, animal and plant.
6. Gold and copper.
7. It is an object designed to scoop water from the river and move it so that it could be sprinkled on the land where crops were growing.
8. The illustration allows the reader to visualise information quickly and easily.

## Tuesday 23rd June

# Hieroglyphs

The ancient Egyptians used the distinctive script known today as hieroglyphs (Greek for "sacred words") for almost 4,000 years. Hieroglyphs were written on papyrus, carved in stone on tomb and temple walls, and used to decorate many objects of cultic and daily life use. Can you crack the code? Create your own messages and send them to a friend to decode!!

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## Scarab Beetle

In ancient Egyptian religion, the sun god Ra is seen to roll across the sky each day, transforming bodies and souls. Beetles of the family Scarabaeidae (*dung beetle*) roll dung into a ball as food and as a brood chamber in which to lay eggs; this way, the larvae hatch and are immediately surrounded by food. The scarab was seen as a symbol of this heavenly cycle and of the idea of rebirth. The Egyptian god Khepri, Ra as the rising sun, was often depicted as a scarab beetle or as a scarab beetle-headed man.

Watch the following clip and enjoy drawing your own scarab beetle.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cekzwCIOVV8>

# Thursday 25th June

# HeartSmart



We continue to focus on our theme-  
'No way through isn't true'.

'No Way Through' Isn't True!



Here is a Dreamboard. This dream board represents owning a home, having lots of friends, travel, love, being a Fire Officer and being on a swim team. Create a Dreamboard using photos, quotes, words or images of things that inspire you and help you dream of things you would love to see happen in your life.

You could use photographs, drawings, words, phrases. Make it individual to you and express yourself freely.



# Friday 26th June

# Physical Activity

Do at least an hour of aerobic activity. Your heart rate will increase and you should get sweaty!

Choose from...

- Football
- Basketball
- Running
- Cycling
- Dancing
- Aerobics

Aerobic exercise is good for your heart, lungs, muscles and emotional well being.

