

Seamer and Irton CP School







Year 3 – Summer Term			
Topic	Ancient Egyptians		
Enquiry question	What did the Ancient Egyptians believe?		
National curriculum link	The achievements of the earliest civilizations –Ancient Egypt		
<u>Core knowledge</u>	 The civilization of Ancient Egypt spanned 3000 years. The River Nile flooded often which made the banks perfect for growing crops. We know about this period of history due to archaeologists including Howard Carter who discovered Tutankhamun's tomb. The pyramids are giant tombs. The Egyptians used hieroglyphics to write things down. This is the oldest form of writing. The ancient Egyptians were ruled by kings and queens who were called pharaohs. Religion was an important part of ancient Egyptian civilisation. They worshipped over 2,000 gods and goddesses! 		
Knowledge linked to learning outcomes	 Who were the Ancient Egyptians? I can understand what was important to people during ancient Egyptian times/ I can find out about ancient Egyptian life by looking at artefacts. Who ruled over the Ancient Egyptians? I can compare and contrast the powers of different Egyptian gods. What is mummification? I can understand and explain the ancient Egyptian ritual of mummification. How can we use artefacts to find out about the Ancient Egyptians? I can understand how evidence can give us different answers about the past. How did the Ancient Egyptian communicate? I can compare and contrast the Egyptian writing with my own. 		
Key vocabulary	Topic based	Historical vocabulary	





Knowledge Organiser



	Afterlife		Ancient times, middle ages and
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	Akhet		modern, BC, AD
	Canopic jars		
	Civilization		Importance, Accounts, Sources
	Dynasty		Give reasons, different periods,
	Egyptologist		compare
	Hieroglyphics		
	Mummification		Identify, sources, represent,
	Papyrus		views, evidence, account,
	Pharaoh		interpreted, historical, argument,
	Sarcophagus		opinion
Why this topic now?	To continue KS2 work on chronological understanding		
	 Looking at the time line in comparison to Stone age – Iron 		
	Age		
Prior learning		What's next?	
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Year 3 – changes in Britain from the Stone Age		Year 4 – a study of Greek life and achievements	
to the Iron Age		and their influence on the western world.	
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