Year 5 Holiday Project May 2019

Ancient Egypt

Ancient Egypt was home to one of the most advanced civilisations of the ancient world lasting around 3100 BCE to 30 BCE, when it was conquered by the Romans.

Protected from invaders by deserts and fed by fertile farmland from the Nile, the Egyptian civilisation survived

for thousands of years with few major changes. The ancient Egyptians left many clues about their way of life, giant temples, pyramids to statues, paintings, mummies and picture writing called hieroglyphics.

In our topic we will be studying the achievements of this ancient civilisation. Using atlases, globes and digital mapping to explore how and why Egypt influenced many nations around it. We will also discover why the River Nile was so important and how it shaped their community, geography, economy and relationships with other nations.

<u>Hieroglyphics</u>: Find out more about hieroglyphics and how the Egyptians used it. Then design your own hieroglyphic alphabet and using it, write a sentence or two about life in Ancient Egypt.

The Nile: Find out as much information you can about the River Nile: How long is it? How many countries does it flow through? Where does it begin (its source) and where does it end? How did the Egyptians use it? How did they travel on it? What special places can you see along its banks?

You can create an information poster or leaflet. You can present your findings on paper or card or online using your BGFL account. Maybe you could create fact cards or a game that gives information about hieroglyphics and the Nile. The choice is yours. Please return your holiday project to your teacher on Monday 3rd June.

