

Contact details

The Mercury class team are:
Mrs Tredinnick - Class Teacher Mon
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Mr Tanner - Learning Support

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to a member of staff at the start or end of the day or contact us via email:

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Equipment Needed

Children are required to wear full PE kit to school for their PE sessions on Monday and Wednesday. On Wednesdays, children from Year 4 and some from Year 5 will need to bring a swimming kit for our weekly sessions at St. Ives Leisure Centre. You will receive a message from school if your child is swimming. A swimming kit consists of black swimming costume/trunks, a towel and a pair of goggles.

A PE kit consists of trainers, black shorts or jogging bottoms and a white t-shirt. Most of our sessions are outside, therefore please provide a warm woolly hat a waterproof coat for the cold weather. Your child may also need sun cream if it is hot.

In addition, it is required that reading records and reading books are brought into school every day please.

The children also need to have a re-fillable water bottle in the classroom.

Thank you.



Mercury Class Curriculum Information

Spring 2025



This term's learning

Key Question: Let's walk like an Egyptian!

Our topic for this term is Ancient Egypt. This is a History-based topic. Our launch for this topic is an art day where we will recreate the world-famous mask of Tutankhamun.

In literacy we are covering a range of genres linked to our topic including recount letters inspired by the story 'Marcy and the riddle of the Sphinx'; newspaper reports about stolen artefacts; persuasive leaflets and non-chronological reports about the mummification process.

Our class novel is 'The Ancient Egypt Sleepover' by Stephen Davies.

In maths sessions, we are looking at: fractions, decimals, percentages, multiplication and division. We are focussing on fluency in these areas as well as improving our reasoning and problem-solving skills.

Physical Education: we are attending Penzance Gym club for the first half term for our annual block of gymnastics sessions, as well as swimming at St Ives Leisure Centre. We are also working on our physical conditioning with HIIT and Yoga.

History: we are using the historical skills of chronology, evidence and interpretation and cause and consequence to learn about Ancient Egyptian gods, places of worship, how pyramids were built, mummification, what life was like in early Egypt, the consequences of an invasion of the Old Kingdom and some key figures such as Rameses II, Cleopatra, Hapshetut and Nefertiti.

Geography: we are learning about where in the world Egypt is now compared to where it was during ancient times as well as comparing Egypt to home.

Music: we are learning to rhythms using a variety of instruments as well as working on our music notation and reading skills

Art and Design: we are creating Tutankhamun masks, Egyptian scrolls and jewellery as well as attending art sessions at Mounts Bay Academy with a specialist art teacher.

Computing: we are learning how to stay safe online and using patterns, repeats and loops to program a screen turtle

RE: we are learning about what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today, including the importance of charity, pilgrimages and guidance for living.



Home Learning

Children are expected to read for twenty minutes at home every evening after school. The children should record this in their planner themselves, but it must be signed by an adult.

Weekly spellings are in homework diaries. Our spelling tests take place on Mondays, you can practice these online at <https://play.edshed.com/en-gb> Your child has their own login. They also have a login for Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS)

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

Weekly times table tests are on Mondays.

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 9th January - Topic Launch

Tuesday 21st January; Tuesday 28th January; Tuesday 4th February and Tuesday 11th February - Art sessions at Mounts Bay Academy.

Thursday 6th February - Moments of blue Super Learning Day

Tuesday 11th February - Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 5th March - St Piran's Day parade (Year 5s only)

Thursday 6th March - Marazion Book Day

Tuesday 18th March - Parents' meetings (date T.B.C.)

Tuesday 25th March - Topic Outcome