Dear Parents,
In our second topic of this first
term, the children will be going on a
Fantasy Adventure! From pirates and
mermaids to the hidden treasures of
Heracleion, into the very rich treasures of
their homeland, Egypt!

### **Wow Events:**

- Black and orange day.
- Dinosaur bone hunt.

### **Topic Outcome:**

- To develop an understanding of different treasures around the world.
- To take pride in Egyptian treasures.
- An introduction into new scientific concepts such as floating and sinking and magnetism.

### As readers, we will:

- Enjoy a variety of different books and stories, including, Going on a Treasure Hunt and lots more.
- We will also be searching for and finding information about Egypt in books and on-line.
- To look how to read compass symbols on map.

### As writers, we will:

- Write for a variety of purposes including labels, maps, descriptions messages and fact writing.
- Practise segmenting for writing, using all the new sounds we have been learning.
- > Continue to work on correct letter formation.

# **Fantasy Adventures!**



#### As communicators, we will:

- Be learning to pay attention and sit quietly, when appropriate.
- Listen to rhymes and begin to understand the humour in them.
- Continue to use our language skills to recreate roles and experiences during play.

## As individuals and friends, we will:

- Initiate conversations, taking account of what others say.
- Continue to learn how to share and take turns.
- Understand the importance of showing kindness in our behaviour to our friends.

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### **Children's ideas:**

Please talk with your child about the topic and find out what they are interested in learning about. Write down any exciting ideas they may have and send them to the class teacher.

### As scientists, we will:

- Gain an understanding of the scientific concept of floating and sinking and explore what materials float/sink.
- ➤ Explore the scientific concept of magnetism; play with magnets and discover which objects in our environment are or are not magnetic.

### As artists/designers, we will:

- Create and design props for our role-play area using materials available in class.
- Continue to explore in our creative area, using materials with a purpose in mind whilst junk modelling.
- Introduce narratives into our play and act out different roles in the role play area.

# As Historians, we will:

- Learn all about the treasures of ancient Egypt and the rich history behind our famous monuments.
- Uncover hidden treasure such as dinosaur fossils, Petra, Jordan and Pompeii, Italy.

### As mathematicians, we will:

- Represent and compare numbers to 5 in different contexts.
- Take a deeper look at the composition of a number.
- ➤ Look at 2D shapes and work on building spatial awareness skills.
- Find one more and one less of a number to 5.
- Begin to understand the concept of time.