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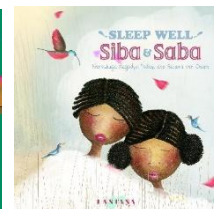
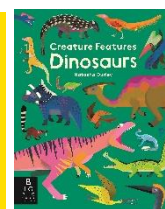
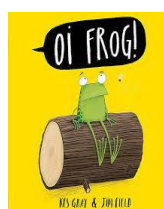
Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary Year 1 pupils,

Each term, we send you a letter to let you know what your child will be learning about in each subject. This term, Year 1 will be learning about **Ancient Egypt** in their **History** lessons. The story of ancient Egypt has survived for thousands of years. Egypt was one of the greatest civilizations of the past. The monuments and tombs of their Pharaohs continue to stand intact today, some 4,000 years later! During this topic, the children will learn about Ancient Egyptian life, hieroglyphics and Gods using different sources, including artefacts, websites and non-fiction texts. A knowledge organiser sharing all of the information – including key facts, images and a map – that the children will learn about in their History lessons is attached. Please feel free to use this with your child to develop their knowledge and understanding at home.



In **Science**, the children will identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, birds, invertebrates and mammals that live in the sea, rock pools and on the beach and learn about which are carnivores, herbivores or omnivores. They will also learn how to classify everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock.

In **English**, the children's writing will be based on the books 'Oi Frog' by Kes Gray and 'Creature Features: Dinosaurs' by Natasha Durley. In their **Whole Class**



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Reading sessions, they will be studying 'Sleep Well Siba and Saba' by Nansubuga Nagadya Isdahl and 'Fairy Tale Pets' by Tracey Corderoy.

In **Maths**, children will learn about inverse involving addition and subtraction and how to use addition and subtraction facts to 20. They will also learn how to read, write and interpret problems using addition, subtraction and equals signs, and how to add and subtract one-digit and two-digit numbers to 20.

In **RE**, the children will explore the question 'Who do Christians say made the world?' and in **SMSC** (Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural education) the children will learn about 'Keeping Myself Safe'.

In **Computing** lessons, the children will program a beebot to move around a map using algorithms and learn about debugging errors.

In **Art**, they will be exploring colour mixing and using this knowledge to create paintings and prints.

This term, **PE** will be on Tuesday and children can wear their PE kit to school.

If you ever have any questions about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to speak to their class teacher or email year1@marineacademy.org.uk. We are really looking forward to another great term ahead!

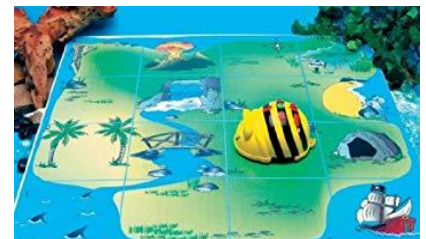
Yours sincerely,

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Year 1 Term 3 Ancient Egypt

World Map showing Egypt

Tutankhamun

Pyramids of Giza

Hieroglyphics

Vocabulary	
ancient	Belonging to the very distant past and no longer in existence.
Egypt	A country in northeast Africa.
artefact	An object made by a human being which tells us about past human life and activities.
pharaoh	A ruler in Ancient Egypt.
Tutankhamun	He became Pharaoh at the age of 9.
hieroglyphics	Ancient Egyptian writing.
papyrus	Paper made from a water plant and used in Ancient Egyptian times.
the Nile	A river that runs through Egypt and is the longest river in the world.

Ancient Egyptian Gods

God	Icon	Role
Atum		God of the Sun
Ra		God of the Sky
Horus		Protective Goddess
Isis		Goddess of Love
Hathor		God of Writing
Thoth		God of Writing



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