

## Year 4 Ancient Egyptians at the British Museum

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Recently Year 4 children and staff were very excited to be able to visit the fantastic British Museum and explore the Egyptian galleries. The galleries detail the day to day lives of Ancient Egyptians and their beliefs. We were also lucky to have a talk delivered by a museum expert talking about the artefacts in the museum and the importance of them to the Ancient Egyptians. One of the most impressive spaces is the sculpture galleries where we were excited to see the Rosetta Stone, large scale sculptures of great pharaohs and architectural pieces from temples and tombs.



Decorated Sarcophagus.



Studying hieroglyphics from the walls of Ancient Egyptian buildings.



Why were cats important to Ancient Egyptians?

### **Impact:**

- The opportunity to explore one of the oldest and most famous museums in the world with a large collection of Egyptian artefacts which linked to this term's study in History, Geography, Art and DT has inspired the children to continue their own research and confidently share their knowledge.
- To develop an understanding of what the purpose of a museum is and what information and artefacts are displayed to inform visitors which children will use in their own Egyptian museum.
- Children developed their research, speaking and listening and co-operation skills to find key information from the museum's vast collection. They will use their research over the next term to investigate and write their own Egyptian information text.
- Year 4 children were able to see the Rosetta stone, examples of hieroglyphics, large scale sculptures of pharaohs and real mummies which they have studied in class.

The Rosetta stone.



The trip was very exciting because we got to see real artefacts from the Egyptian times. My favourite part was seeing the Rosetta Stone.

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I saw an artefact called the Rosetta Stone. It was the way archaeologists could read Hieroglyphics because it had three languages on it; Greek, Demotic and Hieroglyphics. They could translate the Greek into Hieroglyphics.

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