# Year 4 Class Newsletter

## Term I and 2



We really hope you had a fantastic Summer holiday and managed to enjoy some fun in the sun! We cannot wait to get stuck into our new topic: Walk like an Egyptian. Do you know much about the Egyptians? Fear not, below you will find information about what we will be learning this term.



# Topic

We are so excited for our topic of Ancient Egypt this term. The civilisation of Ancient Egypt spanned for over 3,000 years so we have a huge amount of time to cover and learn about. We will be covering topics such as the geography of Egypt, The River Nile, Ancient Egyptian Gods and Goddesses, mummification, pyramids, Howard Carter and the use of artefacts to show us how past civilisations might have lived. Our class reader for this term is 'The Red Pyramid' by Rick Riordan and we can't wait to delve into this tale that brings the magic and mystery of Ancient Egypt into the modern age.

#### Maths

This term, we will begin by focusing on Place Value. This will give the children an opportunity to work with number up to 10,000. We will then move on to Addition and Subtraction where the children will explore adding and subtracting 4-digit numbers. We will introduce Area by exploring shape and then finally begin our Multiplication and Division topic.

# Reminders

Our PE days are currently on Wednesdays and Fridays. Ensure you have your house t-shirt, a pair of black shorts or trousers and some trainers.

Please ensure your child has a spare pair of shoes at school for play time and lunch time. Children will not be allowed on the field unless they have a change of shoes and will need to choose from the variety of other areas outside to play.

Children should be reading each day and practicing their times tables and spellings at home.

## English

This term we will be using our stunning start, the visit from Hobgoblin theatre company, as inspiration for our writing. We will first be looking at creating our own Egyptian myths based on an artefact, just like the cursed amulet of Tutankhamun. We will then be using this as inspiration for a story where our artefact is stolen! Our main focus for this term is using a wide range of conjunctions to structure our sentences and create different clauses.

# Multiplication Tables Check

In June, the children will be taking part in the Government's official multiplication tables check. We therefore want to give the children as much practice as possible leading up to this. Your child should have their Times Table Rock Stars login in their Yellow Reading Record. Please encourage your child to practice their times tables as much as possible. The multiplication check will test the children on a variety of questions ranging up to 12 x 12. The test is very similar to 'Sound Check' on TTRS so please have a practice of this at home.