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Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Year 4 Parents/ Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful summer break and are feeling refreshed and ready to start your child's new academic year in Year 4.

This half-term our English and Creative work will be based around **The Egyptians**. Our theme of **Tomb Raiders** links with this and we shall be finding out about this exciting topic across English, History, DT and computing lessons. Our topic in Science is **Animals Including Humans**. This will involve learning about classification of animals including and learning about our digestive system. We will continue to learn a wide range of skills in mathematics, including **place value** and **multiplication and division**. Finally, in RE we are thinking about the five pillars of Islam.

In Autumn 2, our English and Creative work will be based around **The Romans**, and we shall be finding out about this exciting topic across English, History, DT and computing lessons. Our Science topic will be **States of Matter**, and our RE topic will be **Buddhism**. We will continue our work on **multiplication and division**, and explore the topic of **shape**.

We are hoping to go on a class trip once every half term and will inform you of any arrangements nearer the time.

Homework will be given at the beginning of the half term; a minimum of 4 activities are to be completed from the homework menu.

In order to support your child's learning please use some time at home to research the topics we are studying and take an interest in what has been completed at school.

Your child also brings home a reading record and reading book every day which we expect them to read at home. We suggest that you listen to your child read **at least three times a week, each time signing their reading record. Please make sure your child has their reading book and reading record in school every day, as individual reading will take place.**

Spellings will be given out for the year and should be learnt each week for a test which will take place every Monday morning. In Year 4 there will be a particular focus on **times tables** ahead of the statutory Multiplication Tables Check in Summer term. There will be a weekly test on Monday mornings to track progress. You can support your child at home through a variety of strategies (see attached guide). We look forward to your support with these tasks.

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Your child is expected to bring their PE kits in school on a Monday and take them home every Friday. PE will take place on a Tuesday (cricket) and Thursday (swimming) of each week. Further information regarding swimming will be provided. Please ensure your child has the appropriate kit for PE lessons especially when the weather becomes colder.

I look forward to getting to know you and your child and supporting them in their learning.

Thank you for your support.

Ms Henning – Elliott Class Teacher

Miss King – Palmer Class Teacher

Ms Rahman – Teaching Assistant

Mr O'Brien – Cover Teacher

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