

### **Homework**

Homework will continue to be handed out on a Wednesday to be returned the following Monday. Please ensure that this is handed in promptly each week and that it is of a similar standard to class work. It should be neatly presented and should use joined, cursive handwriting.

- In addition, children should read a minimum of three times a week and, ideally, should discuss the text with you. This will help with their reading comprehension. Please sign your child's Reading Record at least three times per week.
- Please continue to support your child with learning their ten spellings each week. This could involve writing them in a sentence or 'Look, Cover, Write, Check' activities.
- Times Tables practice via TT Rockstars or Mathletics. Please practise recall of multiplication facts and associated division facts as frequently as you can, encouraging them to reason and explain their thinking.

### **Dates for your diary**

Friday 19th January—5N Class Assembly

Thursday 25th January - Egyptian 'wow' day

Friday 26th January – INSET day

Saturday 10th February— Sunday 18th February—School half term

Thursday 8th March – visit to British Museum (more details to follow)

Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th March – Parents' Evenings

Friday 23rd March— Easter Eggstravaganza

Tuesday 27th March—Raleigh Egyptian Museum parents invited from 2.30pm

Wednesday 28th March—term ends @ 1.30pm

# Year 5 Newsletter



# Spring 2018

## Dear Parents . . .

Happy New Year and many thanks from all of us for our lovely Christmas cards and gifts - your generosity was greatly appreciated!

Our topic this term is Ancient Egypt, which will be brought to life with our Egyptian Day (including art and food tasting activities - all in full Egyptian costume!) on the 25th January. Later in the term, the topic will culminate in a 'Raleigh Egyptian Museum', which will be an exciting opportunity for the children to share their hard work with you and other children - watch out for details in due course.

## Outdoor Games and PE

Outdoor Games — this will continue to take place every Tuesday afternoon. Indoor PE for both classes will be on a Friday afternoon.

Please ensure your child has their **full** named PE kit in school **every day**, including a school tracksuit available from the school shop and via TUCAS!

## Equipment

*Reading book*

*Reading Record*

*Pencil case (to include a Pritt stick, a black handwriting pen, a pencil and a ruler)*

*PE kit (labelled please)*

*Freshly filled water bottle (clearly named)*

*Packet of tissues*

## What are we learning about this term?

In Maths this term, we will continue to look at the application of the four number operations, fractions, decimals and percentages, properties of shapes, area and perimeter and problem solving. Reasoning opportunities will be provided throughout to deepen their understanding.

In English, we will be studying older literature, stories from other cultures, myths and legends as well as improving our comprehension skills and spelling. Please continue to encourage your child to use 'Read Theory' at home as this is a valuable resource to help with their progress.

Our Science topics this term are the properties of materials and changing states. We will be continuing to use our knowledge of mechanics to help with the whole school Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths (STEAM) project.

## Osmington Bay reminders!

We are delighted that all of Year 5 will be attending this trip from Tuesday 24th - Friday 27th April 2018. It forms a vital part of our final topic in Year 5—Coasts!

You will receive a medical permission form shortly via your child. Please complete it promptly.

Towards the end of this term we will be talking about the detailed arrangements and we will be sending home a kit list so you can check that you have everything you need over the Easter holidays. However, please remember the children may get wet and muddy, so pack their old clothes!

