



# Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Year 4 Autumn B Newsletter

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. Although we find ourselves in a 2<sup>nd</sup> National lockdown, we will be doing our very best to keep the school and our bubbles healthy and safe whilst in school. Please see the main school newsletter and seek advice from the office if your child develops any symptoms.

Our topic this half term is called 'The Egyptian Dynasty' which will mean we will be researching that era of history in Topic and will be writing our own stories set in Ancient Egypt, inspired by the class book, 'The Scarab's Secret'. Please see the topic over view for more information about what we will be covering in class this half term.

Both classes will continue to have PE or Games sessions on Tuesday and Friday so children will be expected to wear their Queensgate PE kit to school on those days. This should consist of pale blue PE top, navy blue shorts, a Queensgate school jumper, socks and trainers. (Leggings and tracksuit bottoms will be encouraged in cooler weather). Please ensure that all items are labelled- especially school jumpers- as they have a tendency to go missing.

This half term we have decided to send homework out again. It will be set on a Monday and due on the Friday. Please remind your child to bring their reading book bag into school on a Friday (with both of their completed homework books as well as any books that need changing and their reading record book). We will leave the book bags in a box over the weekend so that new books and homework books can be sent home on Monday afternoon.

Homework will consist of one maths sheet- which will be revision of times tables for this half term- and an English activity - which will focus on supporting the spellings of the Year 3 and 4 key words. Additionally there will be an ongoing family homework. This half term we would like you to have a go at making an Ancient Egyptian model, artefact or sculpture that could be displayed in our class museum. We would like this to be handed in on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Please continue to hear you child read and practise times tables.

Finally, please keep an eye on the newsletters - which will be posted on the school's website each week- for up to date information about events and procedures in school.



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These are some of the key dates to note for this half term:

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December Jolly Jumper Day in aid of Wessex Cancer Trust** – please can the children wear a jolly jumper to school and all money raised will be given to the Wessex Cancer Trust – more details to follow.

**Cinderella** – I have ordered the children a digital pantomime which they will enjoy in their classrooms – more details to follow!

**A Virtual Christmas Celebration** - Each class will be making a short film of something they have prepared to show you for Christmas. This may be a song, poem or some acting. The links for the Virtual Christmas celebration will go onto our website on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** for you to enjoy with your children.

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Dinner Day

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – Off timetable party day with party food lunch - wear mufti (own clothes). Last day of term.

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** – INSET day – school closed for children.

It continues to be a challenging time for us all with the lockdown in place, please look after you and your family's mental health. The children have been doing some lovely work on this in school as part of their PPA, so they may have some strategies that could be useful for your family.

If you have any concerns or if you need to inform us of anything that might affect your child within school, please do not hesitate to contact us, either through the office or using our class email addresses.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 4 Team

Miss Hunter, Miss Croutear, Mrs Webb, Miss Hume, Miss Sears and Mrs Wiper.