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Friday 5th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are all well and have had a restful Christmas break. We really enjoyed being able to see so many of you at our Egyptian Museum in December.

This term our overarching topic is called Kingdoms. We will be finding out about the United Kingdom in Geography, learning about the animal kingdom in Science and will be reading some exciting class books including Around the World in Eighty Days and Kensuke's Kingdom in our English lessons. More details about our learning intentions can be found in our topic overview. We are hoping to invite parents in later in the term for a Tea Party to sample all the dishes they have made in Cookery from around the UK and to see their work!

Both classes will continue to have outdoor Games lessons on Tuesday afternoon and PE on Friday morning so pupils will need to come to school appropriately dressed in PE kit on those days. We highly recommend tracksuit bottoms, school jumpers and extra layers throughout the cold weather. Please ensure everything is named- just in case!

Our residential trip to Kingswood in Bembridge is now only a few months away! Scopay has been set up to receive payments but please contact Miss Rorich in the office if you have any trouble using the site.

We intend to host a meeting later in the term for pupils and parents, in order to talk through some of the finer points of the trip- such as what pupils need to bring and the activities that we hope to be able to do. We will inform you of the date once it has been confirmed. In the meantime, feel free to check out the Kingswood website which has a useful section specifically for parents:

<https://www.kingswood.co.uk/activity-centres/isle-of-wight/>



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Homework will continue the same way it has before with daily reading also strongly encouraged- this does not have to be a school book but anything that your child enjoys reading, just write it in the reading record book. Please also encourage them to practice their times tables.

The family homework for this term is to research different ways that we can protect the natural environment and to make a poster to show the relevant information. This will be due in the last week of term.

If you have any questions about what we are teaching or any concerns or information that might be impacting on your child's ability to learn, please do speak to us at the end of the day.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Mawudoku, Miss Croutear and the Year 4 team.