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Term 2 – Egypt Class Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a fantastic break and well-earned rest. We are so proud of the whole class so far this year. At the end of Term 1, we finished our curriculum topic of Blue Planet by making clay coral inspired by our artist Courtney Mattison. We also completed our non-chronological report about the Great Barrier Reef.

Our new Curious Curriculum key enquiry question for Terms 2 and 3 is '**Which civilisation left the greatest legacy?'.** During our journey in Term 2, we will also be answering the questions: **What do all of the ancient civilisations have in common?, How did agricultural advances support the Egyptian civilisation?** and **What was the legacy of Ancient Egypt?** We will be exploring Egypt and how it left a legacy as one of the biggest civilisations in history. Our Key Text is '**Marcy and the Riddle of the sphinx**' by Joe Todd-Stanton and our learning will be centred around this. We will be writing a range of different text types including a quest narrative focussing on fronted adverbials, speech and expanded noun phrases. In maths we will be looking at area, times tables and multiplication and division. Miss Potts will continue covering the class on Wednesday afternoons.

PE Kit:

PE will be on Tuesdays and Fridays and it is expected that your child has a PE kit in school throughout the week. Please ensure all items, including uniform, are labelled with first and last names to allow us to keep track of them. No matter how tidy we are in Year 4, if garments are not labelled, it can be difficult to return them to their rightful owner. PE kits will be sent home throughout the term to be washed to ensure the safety of our pupils.

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Home Learning:

We expect all pupils to read to a family member five times per week for 5-10 minutes. Please ensure that reading diaries are acknowledged and signed by parents as this is an essential record of which books your child has read and how they are progressing. It is compulsory that books come to school daily.

Morning Snacks and Drinks:

If you would like to send your child into school with their own snack, we would ask that this is fruit or a healthy snack such as a cereal bar. Please only send WATER in drinks bottles to promote healthy eating and to reduce the risk of spillages.

Many thanks,

Miss Prior
Class Teacher