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Dear Parents

The focus for this half term is 'Pharaohs'. We will be exploring several different aspects of Ancient Egyptian life. Attached to this letter contains your child's Knowledge Organisers which contain key facts, vocabulary and information about your child's learning in class.

Our learning:

- In Reading, our class text will be the Phoenix Code by Helen Moss. We will investigate the language that Moss uses in this text, and use it to further our knowledge of the Ancient Egyptians.
- In Writing, we will be producing adventure stories with the theme of time travel being our focus.
- In Maths we are focusing on tackling word problems. This unit will be followed by date handling - reading and plotting graphs.
- In Science, we will be learning about the properties of materials and changes states of matter.
- In History, we will be learning about key aspects of Ancient Egyptian life, including the role of the Pharaoh in Ancient Egyptian society.
- In R.E. we will be exploring the theme of 'life after death'; a key belief system adopted by Ancient Egyptians.
- In P.E. we are looking at movement and agility.
- In Art, we will be designing and creating our own Ancient Egyptian death masks.
- In MFL, we will be engaging in conversations, learning to ask and answer questions and express opinions and respond to those of others.

Can we please ask that you support your child at home by ensuring the children know their times tables fluently. We recommend that your child uses the '**Times Tables Rockstars**' website to practise. It is expected that children read at home with an adult at least 2 times a week so that they are prepared to take regular Accelerated Reading tests in school. All children who have returned permission slips can access the '**Pobble**' website at home. They can comment on other children's work which children have published.

Weekly homework will continue to be given on a Friday and collected the following Wednesday. It would be useful if children completed their homework with an adult to improve their reasoning and explanations.

You can also use the information on their Knowledge Organisers to test their recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to assist you.

On the reverse side of this letter, you will find information about key dates coming up this term.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,
The Year 5 Team



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Dates for your Diaries:

November

- 12th Anti Bullying Week
- 16th Children in Need

December

- 3rd Parent's Evening: 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Book Fair – all week
- 4th Parent's Evening: 3.30pm – 6pm
- 10th Nativity: 9.30am Year 2 Miss Kay's class
Christmas Songs: 10.30am Year 1 Mrs Eldridge's class
Christmas Songs: 2.15pm Reception Miss Girvan's class
- 11th Nativity: 9.30am Year 2 Miss Gamble's class
Christmas Songs: 10.30am Year 1 Miss McDonough's class
Christmas Songs: 2.15pm Reception Miss Donnelly's class
- 12th Nativity: 9.30am Year 2 Miss O'Donnell's class
Christmas Songs: 10.30am Year 1 Miss Wright's class
Christmas Songs: 2.15pm Reception Mr George's class
- 13th Nursery Nativity: 2pm
- 14th Nursery Nativity: 10am
Christmas Jumper Day: all children
Christmas Market from 2pm (children to be collected at 1.45pm)
- 18th Party Day: All children to come to school wearing their party clothes
Pantomime: Nursery to Year 5 Aladdin, in school
Pantomime: Year 6 to Oldham Coliseum to see Cinderella
- 20th Christmas Lunch: all children are welcome to a Christmas lunch (£2.30)
- 21st Finish for Christmas at 2pm.
Please note that there will be no after school club on this day