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*'Through God's love, we strive to be
 the best we can be.'*

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Dear parents and carers,

Your child will cover a History unit this half term:

Ancient Egyptians

This term we learn about the ancient Egyptian civilisation, their way of life, culture and lasting impact on the world.

Here is an overview of the topics that will be covered in the other curriculum areas.

Literacy	<p>This half term children will be focusing on Traditional tales. Our focus texts are 'Fly Eagle fly- An African Tale' and then 'The Frog Prince Continued'.</p> <p>The children will be learning how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Form inferences and make predictions -Research and explore the story setting of South Africa -Write their own narratives <p>* Spelling, punctuation and grammar will continue to be taught throughout the term.</p>
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multiplication and division - Fractions - Money <p>-Children will continue to revise Place Value and Addition and Subtraction</p>
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gymnastics and Team games
PHSCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Getting on and falling out -Keeping ourselves safe
RE	<p>Unit 1: Why is Remembrance important?</p> <p>Unit 2: How Do Advent and Epiphany Show Us What Christmas Is REALLY About?</p>
Spanish	<p>Conversational Spanish</p>
Music	<p>Children will continue to learn recorder this term. They will need to bring their recorder to school every Tuesday.</p>

PE

Thursday: indoor

Friday: outdoor

Please ensure your child comes to school with their PE kit. This should include: a white t-shirt and black shorts/leggings or jogging bottoms and a pair of suitable trainers/plimsolls. Please do not send children to school wearing their kits.

Homework

Homework will continue to be sent out every Friday and returned by the following Wednesday.

Reading

Your child should be reading on a daily basis for 10 – 20 minutes a day. Please sign/comment in your child's reading log when you listen to them read.

A comprehension question is given each week to help your discussion of the text.

Times Tables

Children have a log in for Times table Rock star where they can practise the Times tables set each week.

By the end of Year 3, children are expected to know all of their times tables (1 -12) off by heart and their related division facts. We have lots of practicing to do!

For example:

$$2 \times 5 = 10$$

$$5 \times 2 = 10$$

$$10 \text{ divided by } 2 = 5$$

$$10 \text{ divided by } 5 = 2$$

Please ensure your child practises these times tables on a weekly basis as part of their homework routine.

Drinking water and fruit.

Water bottles can be left in class. Fruit can be bought in as a playtime snack.

Attendance and punctuality:

Punctuality is very important. The school gates open at 8:50 a.m.

The class register is closed at 9:00 a.m. which is the start of our first lesson.

Collection is at 3.30 p.m.

If you are unable to collect your child and someone else is collecting your child please insure that you let the school office know.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to come and talk to me in the playground after school or make an appointment with me, at the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Francis