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# Year 4 Parent / Carer Newsletter - Spring 1

Dear Parent/Carer, January 2020

Welcome back! We hope that you had a great Christmas break.

As you may be aware, our Learning Challenge this half term is **The Egyptians-the achievements of early civilisations.** This is a History-based topic but many other curriculum areas will be covered. During the topic we will learn all about early Egypt and how the ancient civilisation formed. We will learn all about the significance of the River Nile in the development of ancient Egypt and how they built pyramids in honour of the gods they believed in. We will also find out more about the gruesome embalming and mummification process in ancient Egyptian culture.

#### PΕ

PE is on Wednesdays (swimming or tennis) and Fridays (dance). Please ensure that your child has their PE kit with them on these days including suitable sports footwear/ pumps. Please ensure your child has outdoor PE kit too as we may need to go outside for a PE lesson. Children need to have a pair of pumps in their PE bag to change into during the day if their shoes are wet. It would be very helpful if all clothes were labelled.

Swimming lessons are continuing on Wednesdays for 4DB until 12<sup>th</sup> February **(this will be their last session)**. 4SB will then begin swimming lessons on 26<sup>th</sup> February. Please ensure that your child has the correct swimming costume, a towel and, if necessary, bobbles for long hair.

## Homework in Year 4

# **English**

Homework expectations are on the sheet in the children's homework book. Children are expected to choose and complete 3 of the 6 tasks and do 3 'Book Wars' tasks. We will collect these in **at the end of the half term** when we will award a prize to the best homework in each class. If there are any problems with returning homework by this date, please do not hesitate to speak to the class teacher.

### Maths

Children will have homework every Friday which consists of MyMaths and/or a sheet of maths problems if appropriate.

#### Spelling

Every Friday, children will receive their spellings and will be tested on them the following Friday. The test will be carried out and sent home so that you can see how your child has done each week.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to a busy and enjoyable half term!

Miss Broadbent, Mr Brook and the Year 4 team









