



Dear Parents and Carers,

YEAR 3 ANCIENT EGYPTIAN WOW DAY – Thursday 21st October 2021

We are very excited to let you know that we have arranged for 'History Off The Page' (who provided us with such a memorable Virtual Tudor Day in the summer) to come into school this term and bring Ancient Egypt to life!

On this day your child, will through role-play, experience life as it would have been living during 14th century B.C. The Pharaoh at the time is Akhenaten and his wife, Nefertiti, who left Thebes to set up a new city to worship the Sun God, Aten. Your child will be using authentic tools and materials whenever possible to learn skills as apprentices *in* a wide variety of workshops eg. lamp workers, embalmers, stone carvers, scribes, bread makers, tomb painters, amulet makers and potters.

As the day progresses, the children will get involved in the issues of the time, with the chance to participate in a range of cross-curricular activities including preparing entertainment for the Royal Banquet celebrations. There will also be a story-telling session.

By the end of the day they will have a really good idea of how *it* felt to be an Egyptian at this time.

A simple white costume will help your child really feel part of the day. Please see the attached guidelines, especially the part about not coming as a particular character.

We need lots of adult helpers (please - at least 10), both for health and safety reasons and to help the children. Everything will be explained so you will know what to do. **If we don't have enough helpers then some of the activities will not be able to run.** If you are able to join us, please reply yes via parent pay or email either Mrs Everett or Miss Hamilton.

If you are able to join us, you will see for yourself the value of the day!

In order for us to have a fantastic WOW day, the cost per child will be £9.50, paid via parent pay by **Tuesday 5th October**. Such contributions from parents are voluntary, however if a number of parents feel unable to make a contribution then the visit may not be able to go ahead.

Yours sincerely,

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Assemble a Costume

Looking like an Egyptian will help you feel like an Egyptian. Costumes do not have to be fancy – you can do a lot with a large white T-shirt! Here are some ideas:

Tunic: This can be a simple white dress for girls or a large white T-shirt for boys and girls. You can also make one from a pillowcase, or even an old sheet: fold it over, stitch up the sides and cut a hole in top for your head. Boys can wear with a belt, cord or sash around the waist, while girls may wear with a simple thin apron.

Sandals: Simple leather sandals are good, but any sensible footwear will do.

Collar: A collar is not essential, but you can make one with a circular piece of cardboard with a hole cut into it for your head. You can decorate it with Egyptian-style patterns.

Please do not come dressed as a specific person, or as a mummy. They do not add anything to the day, and the mummy's bandages can become a hazard. You may not be able to participate in some activities if you come dressed as a mummy.



Need costume help? You can see examples of simple costumes or order from our costume shop:
www.historyoffthepeg.co.uk