#### Dear Parents,

This half term our topic is all about the Ancient Egyptians. We will learn about who the Egyptians were, the geography of Egypt, the Pyramids, the Pharaohs, mummification and lots more. Alongside this History topic, we will also be learning about pulleys in Science and Design and Technology. In Computing we will be using our micro:bit's, programming them to sense inputs.

**Mrs Timmins** 

#### Our recommended read:

This half term 'We are the Ancient Egyptians' will be available at the library or in school for you to borrow and share at home.

Who were the Ancient Egyptian Pharaohs?

What happened during **mummification**?



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Why did they build the pyramids?

Who were the Ancient Egyptian gods?

Why are **hieroglyphics** important?

## Autumn 2



#### <u>Tutankhamen</u>

A famous Egyptian Pharaoh who ruled from age 10-19. He is well-known because his tomb was full of treaures.

### River Nile

The longest river in the world at 6700km long. It was a key resource for the ancient Egyptians.

#### **Howard Carter**

An English archaeologist that discovered Tutankhamen's toms in 1922.

### **Useful words**

**Afterlife** – Ancient Egyptians believed in a life after death in the underworld.

**Amulet** – small jewellery in the shape of an animal or god.

**Canopic jar** – the jars used in mummification. They held a persons organs.

**Embalming** - preserving a dead body, they used mummification.

**Hieroglyph** – the writing system used by ancient Egyptians.

Nile – a major river that flows through Egypt.

**Papyrus** – writing material from the papyrus plant.

**Pharaoh** – the ancient Egyptian rulers.

**Sarcophagus** – a stone container designed to hold a coffin.

**Tutankhamen** – a famous Egyptian pharaoh

## Things to remember:

Tuesday - PE day and forest school

Thursday – Reading books changed and PE day

Friday- Spelling test and library day

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – KS2 Christmas performances