### Hi all,

This half term, we will be embark on the children's first Norris Bank residential to Castleton. This will be a fantastic trip for the children and will allow them to do some real outdoor and hands on learning.

Our main topic for this half term has a history focus as we explore the world of Ancient Egypt.

We will be starting this topic with an amazing trip to Bolton Museum where we will explore some real artefacts from that time period.

Thank you for your support,

Mr Worth and Mrs Barrowcliff

### **Mathematics**

In Maths, we are going to consolidate our learning of out times tables by exploring the related division facts.

We will also be moving on to looking at shape where we will be learning about properties, angles, nets and how to draw them accurately. We will then be starting our work on fractions. This will include looking at unit and non-unit fractions, comparing and ordering, on scales, on a number line and equivalents.

# RE

This half term, we will be asking the question 'Why are festivals important?' In this we will be looking at a range of different festivals from different religions.

## **English**

We use the opportunity of Ancient Egypt to look at the features associated with non-fiction books e.g. contents, index, glossary, diagrams, captions, paragraphing, headings and sub-headings. Children will write a non-chronological report all about what they have learned about Ancient Egyptians.

Following our trip to Castleton, we will then be writing a recount of our visit. We will then share these recounts with the year 2 children so that they know what to expect next year.

# Are you My Mummy?



# History

The children will be looking closely at Ancient Egypt. We will look at the importance of the River Nile and use oranges to replicate the process used in mummification. They will study what it would be like to live in those times. How do we even know about Ancient Egypt?

# Computing

In computing, we will be looking at data and graphing using online tools in purple mash.

### Art

We will be further developing our drawing techniques and skills. The children will explore a range of different portraits and learning how to draw facial features and sketch these using drawing pencils. They will then produce their own portrait in an Egyptian style.

We will then be using out shape work from Maths to draw pyramids from different viewpoints and perspectives.

### Music

We will continue using musical terms to describe dynamics and tempo in the music that we create. The children will produce graphic scores of the music that they are composing following work on rhythm. We will also learn some songs relating to Ancient Egypt.

### Science

We will now be moving on to 'humans and other animals'. In this unit, we will learn all about the human skeleton and compare them to other animals. We will also be continuing our ongoing work on plants and investigating how they grow in different conditions.

### **PSHE**

This half term we will be looking at e-safety and how we can be safe online.

## **Physical Education**

As before the holiday, children need their games kits and PE kits in school at all times. Please keep both games and PE kits simple and in line with the uniform policy. White t-shirt, black shorts and black tracksuit. No unnecessary additional items or branded sportswear please. Earrings need to be removed in PE sessions and all long hair must be tied back.