

Reminders

- **Swimming:** Swimming will continue for the Spring Term. Please send your child dressed warmly on a Tuesday with their swim kit in a separate bag.
- **PE:** Please ensure your child brings a full P.E. kit in school. P.E. lessons are on a Thursday.
Please can you ensure that their PE and Swim kits, clothing, shoes and all items brought into school are clearly labelled.

Important Dates For this Term

Spring term (1st half): 4th January - 9th February

Parents' Curriculum Presentation: Monday 29th January

British Museum Trip: Thursday 8th February

Half term: Monday 12th -Friday 16th February

Spelling Bee: End of January (Date to be confirmed)

Buxton School



Year 4



parent Newsletter

Welcome back and Happy New Year. The children are going to begin a very exciting and interesting new topic called **Temples, Tombs and Treasures**. The students have got off to a fantastic start with their homework projects that they shared.



The year 4 team are:

Miss Douthwaite: Head of Year and Class Teacher (4GD)

Miss Ferguson: Class Teacher (4CF)

Mr Joubert Class Teacher (4WJ)

Miss Clarke: Class Teacher (4PC)

Miss Yeasmin: Teaching Assistant

Curriculum

Over the next term, we will be covering the following:

Literacy - Myths and Legends. We will be covering a range of Ancient Greek and Egyptian myths,

Numeracy - Multiplication and Division, Time, Geometry (Angles), Measurement (Length) and Fractions

RE - Judaism

IPC— **Temples, Tombs and Treasures**— Our IPC topic this term will focus on History but will also cover: Geography and Art.

Some useful websites for our new topic:

http://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_egypt.php

Ducksters provides an excellent overview of daily life in Ancient Egypt, including clothing, pets, hair styles and cosmetics

- www.ancientegypt.co.uk/life/home.html

This website features a section of daily life, which includes contrasting stories about two Ancient Egyptian families.

- <http://www.historyforkids.net/ancient-egypt.html>

A website that covers different aspects of life in Ancient Egypt.

Homework

- Literacy and Maths homework is given out on a **Friday**. This is expected to be handed in by the following **Wednesday**. Spellings will also be included in the form of a rule or spelling pattern to be learned and practised.
- Children are expected to be reading daily and recording at least 2 activities in their Reading Journal each week. Reading Journals are also handed in on a **Wednesday**. Please encourage your child to read regularly. Magazines, newspapers, library books and storybooks can be used for their Reading Journal.
- In Numeracy lessons the students have now covered all of the times tables up to 12 x 12. It is an expectation that by the end of Year 4 all students will be able to recall all of their times tables. Please continue to support your child at home to learn and practise all of their times tables.

Reading

This half term in Shared Reading we are reading

4GD and 4PC— The Butterfly Lion By: Michael Morpurgo

4WJ and 4CF— The Firework Maker's Daughter

By: Philip Pullman

Useful Websites

- **Mathematics:** <http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>
- **Times Tables** : www.ttrockstars.com
- **SPAG:** http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/