

# YEAR 5/6 NEWSLETTER SPRING 1

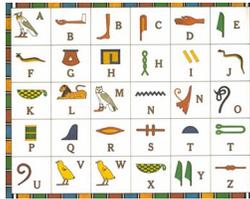
## Upcoming Dates for your Diary...

Half Term Holiday	Break up: Friday 9th February Back to school: Monday 19th February
KS2 SATS	Week commencing: Monday 14th May
UPCOMING PD DAYS...	Monday 16th April, Monday 4th June, Friday 20th July, Monday 23rd July

Please note, there was an error with a PD Day date on the last newsletter. The dates shown above are accurate.

### Pharaohs

Year 5 will be travelling back in time 3000 years to the land of Ancient Egypt. We will be learning all about the gruesome process of mummification, Howard Carter and his famous discovery of the boy king 'Tutankhamun' and the ancient art of hi-eroglyphics. We will be taking part in 'Egypt's Got Talent' and there will be opportunities to explore the ancient food that was eaten, the jewellery that was worn by the Pharaohs and much more.



Year 5 will be visiting St Bernadette's on the morning of Wednesday 17th January as we will be watching their Ancient Egyptian topic assembly.

Year 6 will be continuing their Frozen Kingdom topic this half term and therefore will not be required to complete any topic homework this half term.

Y6 enjoyed a great day out at the Life Centre, Newcastle upon Tyne, full of experiments and activities to support the Frozen Kingdom topic. The day ended with an ice-skating session outside on the frozen plaza. The Life Centre staff were impressed with the enthusiasm and behaviour of the children and their readiness to learn in both the interactive zone and the laboratory. They were a credit to our school and their families.



### Home Learning

#### **Homework:**

Unless otherwise informed by their teacher, homework books should be returned to school on a Tuesday so that they can be marked before a new homework task is issued on Thursdays. Also, be aware that Year six children may occasionally be given additional homework linked to their SATs booster groups.

#### **Home Reading:**

Children have until the Easter holidays to reach 100 reads and claim another free book of their choice! The expectation, as always, is to read at home four times each week.

#### **Year 6 Revision Workbooks:**

It is crucial that at this stage of Year six, children are taking responsibility for their own learning. This means that, if they have found something tricky in lesson time, they are expected to practise more at home using their revision workbooks. Each workbook comes with a help book which should be used for guidance and teachers are always available to clarify anything if the children are still struggling.

**REVISION GUIDES THAT HAVE BEEN ORDERED ARE IN SCHOOL TO BE PURCHASED AND COLLECTED NOW.**

