ARCHBISHOP RUNCIE CHURCH of ENGLAND (VA) FIRST SCHOOL



Monday 24th January 2020

Year 3 Newsletter 4

Dear Parents,

I hope you've all had a lovely and relaxing half term. I know I certainly did!

This week, we will move on from our topic on modern **Egypt** to a historic study about **Ancient Egypt**. To enhance our learning for this topic, we will be visiting the Centre for Life on **Tuesday 11th March** to learn about mummification (please check ParentMail for details), as well as joining Year 4 on an exciting visit to **Durham University** on **Tuesday 24th March**.

We will also continue with our Fishkeeper Fry programme this term and will be getting even more fish as the weeks progress! So far the children have been absolutely loving the programme and have enjoyed naming all of the fish. You can find out more about the programme and what the children will be getting up to here: https://www.fishkeeper.co.uk/fishkeeper-fry-parents.

Please could you remember to write a short comment in your child's Reading Record book **as often as possible** (ideally daily), so we know how your child is getting on with their reading at home? Please could you also ensure that book bags (with Reading Records and reading books) are brought to school every day, checked for letters each evening and any old letters removed please? Thank you!

As fruit and vegetables are not provided to KS2 for snack time, please may I remind you that children can bring their own break time snack from home but they must be **fruit or vegetables**.

This term, PE will continue to be taught on a **Wednesday afternoon**. PE kits should be left in school (on pegs) and should contain a pair of well-fitting plimsolls/trainers for outdoor lessons. Please can I ask that the trainers have no laces, unless children can tie their own. It would be very helpful if any child with long hair could have their hair tied up in a ponytail on this day too. Thank you!

Homework stickers will continue to be given out every **Thursday** so that the children can complete this and hand them back in on the following **Tuesday**. We would be grateful if parents could mark their child's work and return it to school every Tuesday. This gives me an opportunity to look at each child's book on a Tuesday evening and set appropriate tasks for the following week.

Children will continue to learn and play recorder over the term. The children will also continue with their ukulele lessons in preparation for the Big Gig on **Tuesday 16th June**. Please come along if you can!

Thank you very much to all the parent helpers who have listened to readers or joined us on school visits. Your continued support would be very much appreciated.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask! You can catch me at the end of the day after children have been dismissed, or reach me on my email which is megan.nattress@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Nattress