

# Koala Newsletter: Term 3



First of all, may we take this opportunity to say a massive thank you for all your kind Christmas wishes, cards and gifts. We hope you all have a super Christmas break and come back for another fun filled, short but action packed term. Our topic for Terms 3 and 4 will take us back in time to learn about the amazing ancient Egyptians ...and we have a song to learn too! The children will be using maps to locate Egypt and discover all aspects of life during those times; including finding out about the pharaohs, pyramids, mummification and the afterlife! In March we will have an Egyptian day, when we welcome "Portals into The Past" into school, and it would be lovely for the children to come in dressed up as an Egyptian for the day. This term in PHSE will see us develop our Schools Linking Project, with Aylesford Class (Year 4) at Snodland C of E Primary School, and more details will follow in the new year. We will also participate in three forest school sessions.

## Curriculum

### Term 3 Overview:

English	The Lost Happy Endings - Narrative & Poetry
Maths	Multiplication Measures : Area Fractions
Topic	Amazing Egyptians
Science	Electricity
RE	What can we learn from religions about deciding what is right or wrong?
DT	Making Torches
ART	Print Making
Computing	Designing toys
PE	Ultimate Frisbee Gymnastics
Music	Glockenspiel
PSHCE	The Schools Linking Project : Who am I? Celebrating differences and diversity.



## MESSAGES:

- Please ensure your child brings in their contact book and reading book to school every day. If somebody hears your child read at home, we would ask you to record this. Please continue to help your child with your reading rainbow card.
- The children will undertake mental maths tests / table challenges on a Tuesday. Spellings will be completed every 2 weeks on a Friday.
- Please encourage your child to bring in their **water bottle** each day so that we can ensure they are drinking enough during the day.
- Remember that your child may bring in fresh fruit and/or vegetables as a playtime snack each day, but remember that nuts must not be brought into school as we have a number of children with severe nut allergies. We have a snack box at the front of our classroom.
- We will be having outside PE every **Monday (outdoor kit will be essential this term)** and indoor PE every **THURSDAY**, but we would ask that your child has all their PE kit in school each day.
- Please make sure everything is labelled with your child's name, this helps us and your child! We have a very limited set of spare PE kit.
- **Homework** - This will be given out every **Friday** to be completed by the following **Wednesday**. As in previous years, there will be a homework club on a Thursday lunchtime.
- Home time - The children will be brought out to the playground. **Please let us know if anyone other than the usual person is collecting them after school.**

If you have any questions or problems, please feel free to come in to speak with us. We can always be available to talk at the end of the school day. If you feel you need a longer amount of time, please make an appointment via the Office.

### Important Dates:

3rd January : Term 3 Starts - Growth Mindset

15<sup>th</sup> January: School Linking Project

24<sup>th</sup>/ 31<sup>st</sup> Jan / 7<sup>th</sup> Feb : Forest School

5<sup>th</sup> February: Safer Internet Day

15<sup>th</sup> February : End of Term 3

5<sup>th</sup> March : Egyptian Day

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