

Monday 11 May 2026

Dear Parents

Across the Summer term, the children have a history focus about the Ancient Egyptians. We have invited Portals to the Past to provide a 'Life in Ancient Egypt' Day in the school on **Tuesday 7 July 2026**.

The voluntary contribution for the day is **£7.50** per child, which will go towards the whole day of learning. In the unlikely event that the costs cannot be covered by contributions, the workshop will be cancelled. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium the school can support you. Payments to be paid via Arbor > Trips > Ancient Egypt Workshop by **Friday 26 June 2026** at the latest.

Portals to the Past is a company which provides immersive and practical History, Science and Literature workshops to schools. The workshop, which will take place in the school hall during normal school hours, will give us a feeling of what it was like to be a Greek in ancient times.

On the day, the children will participate in activities as they learn about what happens following the death of a mighty Pharaoh, including tomb building, the mummification process, burial ceremonies and, finally, the crowning of the new Pharaoh.

The children will also have the opportunity to:

- Do basic maths the Egyptian way, and learning how to measure in cubits
- Discover fascinating facts during an Egyptian-themed quiz
- Play 'Hounds and Jackals' – an Egyptian board game
- Look at Egyptian artefacts and way of life

A simple costume will help your child feel part of the day. Here are some ideas:

- **EGYPTOLOGISTS** - Jeans, shorts, eccentric jumpers, "T" shirts, hats.
- **ANCIENT EGYPTIANS** – Please feel free to make your own or there are ready made Egyptian outfits available online.

**Best wishes**

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