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Dear parent/career,

In our second term of Year 3, the children will be learning about Ancient Egypt as part of their history topic. On the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025, the children will be able to experience another visit from Portals to the Past, a company that provides immersive historical workshops for children.

The workshop will run for the entirety of the school day (09:15-15:00) and consists of a group investigation, where students explore numerous informative displays and artefacts, and get hands-on experience of ancient technology and skills. This is combined with interactive discussions on the following sub-topics:

- Mummification
- Tomb and pyramid building
- The crowning of a new pharaoh
- Ancient Egyptian mathematics
- Ancient Egyptian games
- Their way of life

These sessions follow on from the learning the children will have started within the classroom and will provide the practical and immersive experience that they need to develop in the historical understanding.

The cost of this workshop is £7.50 and can be paid via School Money.

If your child wishes, they may arrive at school in fancy dress from the time of Ancient Egypt. Some ideas are attached below. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing suitable footwear; trainers are permitted.

Yours Faithfully,

Mrs Nazareth and Mrs Simpson

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#### DRESSING FOR EGYPTIAN WORKSHOP

The children can be Egyptologists or Ancient Egyptians, whatever they choose.

EGYPTOLOGISTS - Jeans, shorts, wacky jumpers, "T" shirts, hats.

ANCIENT EGYPTIANS – Ready made Egyptian outfits are readily available on the internet. Cleopatras, Pharaohs, Mummies, slaves...

[www.sillyjokes.co.uk](http://www.sillyjokes.co.uk) [www.partydomain.co.uk](http://www.partydomain.co.uk) [www.a2z-kids.co.uk](http://www.a2z-kids.co.uk)  
[www.charliecrow.co.uk](http://www.charliecrow.co.uk)

If parents wish to make outfits, this is what we suggest.

You will need a length of cheap white material. Dust sheet or old bed sheets are perfect.

Measure from the shoulders to the length required plus a few centimetres.

Double this measurement.

Girls full length, boys to mid-calf or full length.

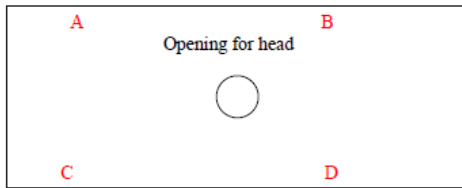
Measure from elbow to elbow. This will be your finished width.

Fold material in half lengthwise. Cut out a hole just big enough for your head to go through.

**Be careful, it's easy to make this hole too large. Start small!**

**Sew up the side seams, A to B, and C to D, being sure to leave a generous armhole.**

**Tie round the middle with cord.**



#### TO MAKE A BOY'S HEADRESS

Measure from the middle of the forehead to just below the shoulders. Take an oblong of white cloth this length. The width should be enough to tie at the back of the head comfortably.

#### GIRL'S WIGS

Wigs can be made from plaited black wool attached to a band of cloth tied around your head.

All Ancient Egyptians can wear bangles and beads.



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