21st December 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

We have booked a theatre group called ‘History off the Page’ to visit school on Wednesday 16th January. Children in Year 4 will be able to take part in a workshop to learn about ‘Life in Ancient Egypt’.

**Setting:**
1347 BC. This is the fifth year of the reign of the Pharaoh Akhenaten. Preparations for the Festival of the Nile are made during the morning, while celebrations take place during the afternoon.

The atmosphere will be created by using drama and role-play, facsimile items and the sort of materials which were used by the Egyptians. The workshops normally include: *Mummification, Tomb painting, Scarab carving, making Canopic Jars, etc.*

**Costume**
It would help the pupils engage in the period and role play if they wore simple costumes as follows:

**Boys:** A plain white T shirt and white shorts with a belt, cord or sash round the waist and sandals

**Girls:** A plain white sheet to wrap around or a plain white T shirt and white shorts with a belt, cord or sash round the waist and sandals.

Newton Farm School is paying a large portion of the cost of ‘History off the Page’ visit to ensure each child receives the benefits of this visit, which will provide experiences to enrich the curriculum and enhance each child’s education. In order to cover the remaining cost, each child will be requested to pay £5.00. However, as the end of term is drawing near, I would be grateful if you could send the money in a named, sealed envelope in the spring term.

Some parental help will be required on this day. If you are able to help, would you please tick the box below and we shall be in touch with you.

Yours sincerely

Miss Goldschmidt & Mr Martinez

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I ………………………………………… parent of …………………………………

(Name of parent/guardian) (Name of child)

☐ I enclose a voluntary contribution of £5

☐ I am willing to help on ‘Life in Ancient Egypt Day’ on Wednesday 16th January 2019

Signed…………………………