



Burford School & Nursery

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our history topic about the Ancient Egyptians, we are holding a History Day in school on Wednesday 20th May. History Off the Page, a school workshop company, will be organising this day where there will be a number of different activities for the children to take part in.

As part of the day, we would like the children to dress up in costumes. Please find attached a sheet with some suggestions for how this may be achieved.

In the afternoon, we will be having an Egyptian banquet as part of the day. For this, we are asking if you could send your child into school with an Egyptian snack that could be shared with the other children. The children will have lunch as normal so it should only be a snack. This could include; hummus, falafel, flatbread, figs, koftas, pasta, blackcurrant squash. These snacks will be eaten cold. The food needs to be bought in in its original, sealed packaging so we can check ingredients for allergens. No nuts please! Please email us to let us know if your child has any specific allergies or intolerances.

To make this day run smoothly we will need 10 parent helpers. Please email us as soon as possible if you would be happy to volunteer.

We would welcome a voluntary contribution via Parent Pay of £12.50 to cover the cost of the trip. Unfortunately, if we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions, we will have no option but to cancel the trip as we are unable to cover the cost from the school budget.

We look forward to an exciting and rewarding day.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Creek and Miss Edwards
Year 5 Class Teachers



Assemble a Costume

Looking like an Egyptian will help you feel like an Egyptian. Costumes do not have to be fancy – you can do a lot with a large white T-shirt! Here are some ideas:

Tunic: This can be a simple white dress for girls or a large white T-shirt for boys and girls. You can also make one from a pillowcase, or even an old sheet: fold it over, stitch up the sides and cut a hole in top for your head. Boys can wear with a belt, cord or sash around the waist, while girls may wear with a simple thin apron.

Sandals: Simple leather sandals are good, but any sensible footwear will do.

Collar: A collar is not essential, but you can make one with a circular piece of cardboard with a hole cut into it for your head. You can decorate it with Egyptian-style patterns.

Please do not come dressed as a specific person, or as a mummy. They do not add anything to the day, and the mummy's bandages can become a hazard. You may not be able to participate in some activities if you come dressed as a mummy.

