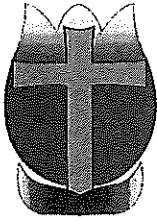


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Thursday 13th December 2018

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As a way of providing your child with an exciting opportunity to find out about life in Ancient Egypt, we have arranged for 'History Off the Page' to spend the day with us on Monday 28th January. The voluntary contribution for this is £2.00.

On this day, your child will experience life as it would have been, use authentic tools and materials wherever possible to learn skills as apprentices in a wide variety of workshops, and in the afternoon we will have a simple banquet – please let the class teacher know if your child has any food allergies. By the end of the day they will have a really good idea about how it felt to live in Ancient Egypt.

To enhance the experience, we ask that children wear simple Ancient Egyptian costume. Examples for girls and boys are attached to the letter.

We need a lot of adult helpers, so if you can join us, either for the whole day, or just the morning or afternoon, please speak to your child's class teacher.

If you have any queries, please speak to us, or you can look at the 'Parents Page' on the History off the Page website: www.historyoffthepage.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Crampton

Mrs Towers

Please find enclosed a £2.00 voluntary contribution for _____ (name of child) towards the Year 3 Ancient Egyptian Day on the 28th January 2018.



Preparing the pupils – Girls' Egyptian Costume

Names

Please ask the pupils to select a name from the list below and if possible write it on a label which can be attached to their costume.

Hathor, Hatshesput, Henutaneb, Hetepahes, Inpu, Isis, Maat, Nebetiah, Nefetura, Nefertari, Neferure, Nefet, Nekhbet, Nephthys, Saisamun, Sheri, Tefaut, Teti, Tiye, Tuwu, Wadjet.

Costume

It is not practical to copy the clothing style of the period exactly, mainly because it would be far too cold. For this reason we suggest warmer simple plain white cotton garments.

Pretending to be a particular character from history or mythology is inappropriate and does not help the day in any way.

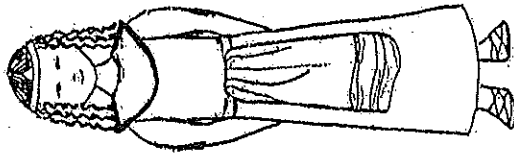
Girls can wear a long white cotton shift, as illustrated, perhaps made from an old sheet. (If very cold please add a cloak or anything practical - being warm enough to learn is more important than looking perfectly authentic!) Sandals make suitable footwear.

Hair and makeup

For a headdress, a circlet or fillet of cord or braid could be worn (high on the forehead and tied at the back. Girls wore their hair in lots of small plaits

or cut to a 'bobbed' length. Ancient Egyptians had very black hair. They also wore black eye paint along the eyelids to protect them from the sun.

We do not recommend this - it can look authentic but it can also get very smeared during the day, and some children may be allergic or develop skin irritation.



Girl's Ancient Egyptian costume - designed with safety in mind. *Representative photos can be found at: www.historyoffthepage.co.uk.*

Order direct: Tel: 01954 213183 or email: ddworkshop@icloud.com

Tunic and belt: £18.00 (+P&P) Collar: £8.50 (+P&P) Whole package: £26.00 (+P&P)

(Collars are made from metallic fabric which can be decorated if desired)

Adult costume also available:

Tunic and belt: £28.20 (+P&P), Collar: £10.80 (+P&P) Complete package: £38.40 (+P&P) inc VAT

As these costumes are handmade to order, please give as much notice as possible. If required at short notice, please call and we will advise whether we can supply in time.

Please provide: 1. Height/chest measurement (or for pupils, usual age of clothing worn)

2. Daytime contact telephone number to take payment card details and a delivery address.

Preparing the pupils – Boys' Egyptian Costume

Names

Please ask the pupils to select a name from the list below and if possible write it on a label, which can be attached to their costume.

Ahmose, Anedjab, Cheprew, Djary, Harkhuf, Hetepy, Imhotep, Ineri, Khafra, Khasekem, Manethes, Meres, Menkaura, Mycerinus, Rekhmir, Rhaotep, Senenmet, Sreferu, Tutmosis, Unas, Userbet

Costume

It is not practical to copy the clothing style of the period exactly, mainly because it would be far too cold. Boys would have worn only a linen shenti (jinclotha.) For this reason we suggest warmer, simple plain white garments.

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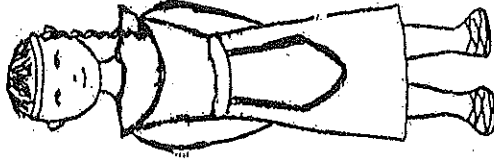
Boys can wear a plain white T shirt and white shorts, or a shorter version of the shift shown, with a belt, cord or sash round the waist. Do not worry unduly about style - the main impression should be one of whiteness. Sandals make suitable footwear.

A simple fillet or circlet of cord or braid

could also be worn by boys (high on the forehead and tied at the back of the head)

Boys wore the youth lock until they were adolescent

- a thick plait of hair left growing on the side of the otherwise shaven head. This can be made by plaiting several strands of wool together. Attach the plait to a hair clip, so it can be securely fixed to the pupil's hair or to the circlet.



Boy's Ancient Egyptian costume - designed with safety in mind. *Representative photos can be found at: www.historyoffthepage.co.uk.*

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