

# LEARNING @ ORSETT THROUGH SKILLS



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Yr6. We hope that you all had a great break and that the children are eager and ready to start. This will be a challenging but fun-packed year and the work begins now. We are here to support the children so please do not hesitate to ask questions or seek clarification if there is anything you would like to know.

This half term, Class 6 will be focusing on the fascinating theme of *Ancient Egyptians*. They will learn about all sorts of aspects of their lives through the specific National Curriculum (NC) skills that needed to be mastered by the children.

Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

<b>SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL UNDERSTANDING</b>	Light and how we see
<b>ICT</b>	Research and presentation of data. Computer safety.
<b>HISTORICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL UNDERSTANDING</b>	Ancient Egyptian life
<b>UNDERSTANDING THE ARTS</b>	Make Egyptian masks
<b>UNDERSTANDING PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND WELLBEING</b>	Gymnastics and hockey
<b>RE/CHRISTIAN VALUE</b>	God (Creation) Friendship and Hospitality

Every child will experience a variety of different ways of learning including reading, writing, mathematics, problem solving, illustrating, working independently and working collaboratively and their progress towards the NC Skills will be continually assessed again in a variety of ways. Teaching it this way, will not only help the children see the relevance of the learning, actively enjoy it but also inspire them achieve higher standards in their work.

If anyone has related skills, resources, experience and knowledge they are willing to share please let me know as soon as possible, as the more information and support that your child has, the more successful their learning will be.

In addition, we are hoping to have a specialist outside agency come in and spend a day doing lots of Egyptian-themed activities – more to follow.

**Homework:** *As you know here at Orsett we always encourage our children to continue their learning outside of school. We do expect that all children will read daily and will learn the relevant spelling and time tables for the year group. We also will be working with the children over the next week to agree their Extended Homework expectations and these will be sent out to you on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September** so that you are aware of the areas that your child will be working towards at home and also the agreed deadlines.*

**Other Info:** Our PE sessions will be on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for outside sessions. **If they wear trainers for PE they must be non-marking and black, and they can only be worn if the children change into them for PE.**

We would like to thank you all for your support with your children's learning - it really does make a difference. Please let us know if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Richardson  
Class Teacher