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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our Term 6 learning on the Ancient Egyptians, we are thrilled to be welcoming an expert Egyptologist, Ali Ball, to school on **Tuesday 3rd June 2025**. Ali is a primary teacher with a passion for Egyptology, which she has been studying since 1999.

Throughout the day, the children will take part in a range of exciting activities. Using replica objects and photographs from the tomb of Tutankhamun, they will work in teams to investigate what these historical clues can tell us about life in ancient Egypt. Children will be encouraged to share what they already know and to think critically about where these facts come from.

They will also explore the ancient language of hieroglyphs, having a go at cracking codes, reading symbols, and even trying out some spoken Egyptian words. In maths, they will compare our modern number system to that of the Ancient Egyptians and take part in a fun, competitive game involving ancient numbers, both big and small.

To round off the day, the children will enjoy a hands-on experience exploring the process of mummification — including a brave attempt to identify which of the “gooey body bits” get removed in the famously gruesome process!

The cost for this exciting experience is **£5.60 per child**, payable via **ParentPay**. Please ensure payment is made by **Monday 12th May 2025**. If you have any difficulty making this payment, please speak to the school office as soon as possible. Unfortunately, if we are unable to collect enough contributions to cover the cost, the event may need to be cancelled.

Children are welcome to dress up in a homemade Ancient Egyptian costume if they wish, although this is entirely optional — school uniform is absolutely fine too.

We are really looking forward to this exciting day and are confident it will be a fantastic enhancement to the children’s learning.

Thank you for your support,
The Year 3 Team