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Dear Parents & Carers

There is very strong evidence that one of the most powerful ways to help children's progress is by getting them excited about what they will be learning next. At New Valley, we have introduced 'preview learning' as part of our approach to Home Learning, to ensure that we at school, and you at home, are able to make the most of opportunities presented by our curriculum.

Over the page, you will find some ideas for ways you could help to get your child interested in what they will be learning. Remember that the most useful thing of all is to talk with them and get them thinking, so the most important part is "You could talk about..."

Why not visit somewhere, read a book, or watch a film or TV programme which will give them a head-start in their new topic?

**Remember, we are not expecting you to teach your child everything about the subject; the point of preview learning is to get them interested. And we are not expecting everybody to be able to do everything on the list! If you are able to do anything from the list of recommendations, it could help your child to be motivated and ready when they start their new topic.**

If you would like any more information about your child's learning after half-term, or about what you can do to help, please feel free to speak to me.

I am sure there will be many of you who have other ideas that we haven't thought of. If you know of a book, documentary or place to visit that isn't on this list, please let me know so I can spread the word.

Yours





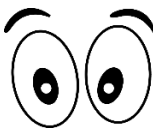
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## Year Four Autumn Term 2018

<p><b>Our learning after half-term</b></p>	<p>This term's discovery learning will focus on Ancient Egypt. In history, we will be learning by looking at a range of sources including artefacts and images. This will help us form predictions and opinions on how Ancient Egyptians lived. Part of this will include comparing Ancient Egyptian life to modern life and discussing why the differences might exist.</p>
<p><b>You could talk about...</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ How did the Ancient Egyptians construct the pyramids?</li> <li>➤ How was family life in Ancient Egypt different to family life now?</li> <li>➤ Would you rather have lived then or are you happy living now? Why?</li> <li>➤ What do you admire about Ancient Egypt? Is there one thing from Ancient Egypt that you wish we did/had now?</li> </ul>
<p><b>You could visit...</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The British Museum to see the famous Rosetta Stone</li> <li>➤ The Brighton Museum and Gallery to see the Ancient Egyptian galleries</li> <li>➤ The Horniman Museum to see their range of Egyptian artefacts</li> </ul>
<p><b>You could look at...</b></p> 	<p>These websites would be great to learn some extra facts!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zg87xnb">https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zg87xnb</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/egyptian-life-and-culture">https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/egyptian-life-and-culture</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/egypt/ten-facts-about-ancient-egypt/">https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/egypt/ten-facts-about-ancient-egypt/</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>You could read...</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Look inside: Mummies and Pyramids</li> <li>➤ Mummies, Pyramids and Pharaohs</li> <li>➤ The Scarab's Secret</li> <li>➤ The Time Travelling Cat and the Egyptian Goddess</li> </ul>
<p><b>You could watch...</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Papyrus (animated TV series on youtube)</li> <li>➤ Secrets of the Dead: The Silver Pharaoh (Amazon)</li> <li>➤ Out of Egypt (Amazon)</li> <li>➤ Riddles of the Sphinx (Amazon)</li> <li>➤ Egypt's Golden Empire (Amazon)</li> <li>➤ Horrible Histories Awesome Egyptians (BBC)</li> </ul>

