



# Welburn Hall Weekly

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021

Good afternoon dear parents / carers, staff and pupils. It's the most wonderful time of the year! We hope that you are all well and keeping safe after storm Arwen and that none of you have been affected by it. With only a fortnight left there is a sense of joy in the air and the children are feeling very festive. They have helped to decorate the school and main house with beautiful decorations and lights and they are looking forward to Christmas lunch, Christmas jumper day and their class outings.

Last week our HSA (Home School Association) held a stall in Kirkbymoorside for which items were sold to raise funds for the school. They had great fun and wanted to thank anybody who visited and made purchases. The amount raised will be added to the events on the 10<sup>th</sup> December.



We would like to say a special thanks to Vivien Stephens one of our governors who managed to raise funds for our pool table to be recovered. The students have really enjoyed their recreational down time and been able to work on fine motor skills without even realising!



This week, Nurture 2 continued with their Egyptian themed learning. They looked at death masks and made their own alongside using clay to create sacred animals, such as the scarab beetle and cats. They investigated newly discovered tombs, including an underwater tomb, and researched a timeline of early burials. This led them on to exploring the structures of tombs, and planning and creating a HUGE 3D tomb using boxes. Some of the class have also begun designing the Egyptian artwork for inside the tomb. Watch this space for the final masterpiece!



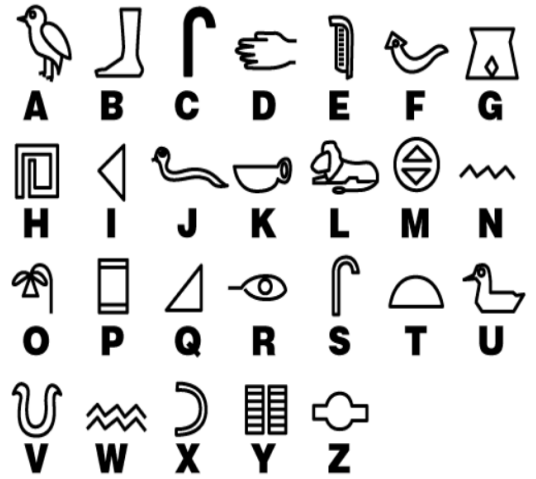
**FACT:**

*Did you know that there are over 160 words that can be made using the following letters?*

**E.G.Y.P.T.I.A.N**

**TASK:**

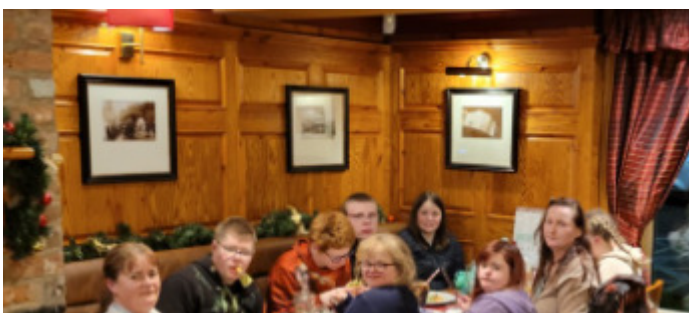
*See how many words you are able to find. If you would like a bit more of a challenge then you could write your answers in hieroglyphics.*



The nurture group went to the local supermarket and purchased goodies which they then put into cups and hid with paper and bands. They cut circles out of a cardboard box and created a large 3D Santa Clause advent calendar. Genius!



Some of the college students have been assisting the lower informal, formal and semi-formal groups with reading on a Thursday morning in the library. Work Experience at Helmsley Bird of Prey Centre have ensured that our lads were kept busy looking after the birds to prevent them all from freezing this week! Formal KS5 were having a team building session by following instructions and building Christmas Lego sets!



The college students went Christmas shopping with the care team this week to buy things for family and friends. They treat themselves to tea at Pear Tree Farm. 😊



Lower Semi-Formal have been learning to interact and share with board games etc and looking at trusted adults and our safe network. Who do we go to when we need help?



## Notification please read 😞

**FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**- School's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party

We have been very much looking forward to celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the school.

Unfortunately, due to the high numbers of Covid cases in the local area we are having to restrict visitors to the school in line with NYCC guidance.

We are no longer able to allow parents/carers and members of the public on site.

The students will still get to enjoy their fun afternoon.

There is a disco for students and the fire engine and police vehicle will still visit

There will be a children's tombola so if the students want to take part please would you send them with a small amount of money - cost to participate £1 for 5 tickets. There will also be keyrings for sale at a cost of £3 with a percentage of profits being donated to school funds

The raffle will be drawn and any prize winners will be notified immediately afterwards so please ensure that if you have sold any that they are returned to us as this is still our main event.

We are planning to hold another event in the Spring. By this time, we are hoping that visitors will be able to join us as usual.

Thank you for your support and understanding. This is not a decision we wanted to make but we have no choice. We are hoping to welcome you all again soon.