

## 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, Menes, Menkaura, Mycerinus, Rekhmir, Rhaotep, Senenmet, Sreferu, Tuthmosis, 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 (loincloth.) For this reason we suggest warmer, simple plain white garments.

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

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.

