

Year 2 Newsletter

Summer Term 1



THURSDAY APRIL 24th 2025

A reminder that our Titanic museum trip is the first week back. Normal uniform, lunch in a bag so we can dispose of it once eaten, sensible school shoes and coat. Normal arrival and pick up times. Summer A: Tuesday 22nd April- Friday 23rd May.



Our English theme this half term will be

Amazing Africa!

Reading Reward Bookmarks

After half term your child will come home with a new Reading Reward Bookmark. Ready to start a new half terms worth of reading!

We encourage that your child reads *at least* 3 times each week. When they complete their first, second and third read they need to colour in a star on their bookmark. Each star will need to be initialled/signed by a parent. On their book changing day (Monday) their teacher will sign off that the reads have been completed. This will then go towards their final certificate at the end of that half term (Bronze, Silver and Gold).

Half Term Homework project:

Over the Easter holidays we would like your children to choose from the following Africa projects:

- English: Write a report about an African animal.
- Geography: Locate Africa on a map and write a fact file.
- DT: Make a rain stick
- Art/DT: Design and make an Africa Hut.
- Art: Sketch an interpretation of the Baobab Tree (The tree of life)



P.E Kit reminder:

PE lessons in Year 2 will take place on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon. All children will need to wear their PE kits into school. Please ensure they are wearing the correct uniform for the weather. Please note PE will be on Tuesday the 1st week back due to the school trip. Please ensure all jumpers are clearly labelled.



Developing lifelong learners:

English

In English this half term, the children will be using the book *Lila and the Secret of Rain*. We will be using this text to write a diary. We will then move on to write instructions on how to make an African mask. Alongside this the children will be developing their writing skills, such as using conjunctions, expanded noun phrases as well as learning to spelling longer words that follow particular spelling patterns.

Maths

In Maths we will be revising Number through place value, addition and subtraction. At the end of the half term, we will be moving on to measurement involving positional language, length and height.

Topics covered this half term:

Science - This half term we will be looking at how animals have different offspring and how they change over time. Please could you email or bring in a photo of your child as a baby by Tuesday 22nd ready for our first science lesson!

Art - This half term we will be exploring 3D art using clay.

Geography - The children will be comparing two countries, the UK and Kenya.

RE - Special foods for Christians and Special Hindus

PSHE - This half term the children will be learning about 'Relationships'

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 2 team.

