



I hope you have all had an enjoyable Easter break. We are looking forward to an exciting summer term packed with lots of fun learning opportunities.



Our main topic this half term is 'Wild about Africa!'



In Literacy, we will be using a range of non-fiction and fiction texts linked to our topic to improve our reading and writing skills. We will be using these texts to write for different purposes, e.g. fact files, instructions, letters etc.

In Maths we will focus on recapping all of the topics that we have learnt so far in year two with a particular emphasis on solving one step and two step word problems using the 4 main operations (add, subtract, divide and times). We will also continue with times tables x2, x3, x5, and x10 and appreciate your help at home with this.

In phonics we will be continuing to focus on suffixes (er, est, ing, ed, ful, less, ness, ment, ly). The children's new spelling lists were sent home before the Easter term and we will continue to have weekly spelling tests with 10 words a week.

- In geography, we will be using atlases and globes to locate the continent of Africa and the countries within Africa. We will be using books and the internet to research, compare and contrast what it is like to live in Africa and the United Kingdom.
- In history, we will be learning about the life of Nelson Mandela and learning about why he is a significant individual.
- In PE, we will be continuing and building up the agility within the 'Multi-Skills units from our new scheme of work. *PE lessons will be on **Tuesday and Friday** although the children need their PE kit in school **EVERY DAY**.* Please ensure your child has appropriate kit including trainers or plimsolls.
- In music, we will focus on African music and soundscapes.
- In science, we will be learning about the environment.
- In RE, we will be learning about and exploring ceremonies across different religions.
- Our value this half term is friendship.



There will continue to be a 'Drop in session' every other Wednesday from 3:00pm until 3:15pm whilst the children are in assembly. In addition to this, I am always more than happy to have a chat after school.

I am looking forward to an enjoyable and inspiring half term,

Mrs Brown.