

Year 2 Chestnut Spring Term Newsletter

Welcome back! This term our exciting topic will be **Africa**.

In **English** this half term we will be looking we will look at stories from other cultures and traditional tales. On a Thursday and Friday we will complete grammar and reading comprehension lessons.

During our **Geography** lessons we will learn all about **Africa**, particularly focusing on Kenya.

Our **Art and DT** lessons will link in with our topic where we will create African masks, sunset pictures and print our own traditional African Batik.

During our **Computing** lessons the topic will be creating media. The children will listen to pieces of music, compare them and describe how it makes them feel then will create their own music linked to an African animal.

In **PE** this half term we will be doing bat and ball skills as well as more virtual competitions **on a Monday** afternoon. Please make sure your child comes into school in the correct PE kit on this day. After half term, we will be taught **cricket** on a Tuesday by an external coach.

During **Science** lessons the children will be looking at All Living Things including lifecycles

In **RE**, the children will be exploring the question 'How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion?'. This will be taught by Mrs Mason.

In **Maths** this term we will be working on time, place value (estimating, counting and comparing), mental strategies for addition and subtraction, partitioning, grouping and sharing and measures and money. As well as this, we will continue to work on learning our 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables and using this knowledge to help us with multiplication and division. We will also look at reasoning and word problems for all number operations to get us used to these styles of questions.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to email us on the class account and we will do our best to get back to you as quickly as possible.

Miss Koza and Mrs Wragg



Upcoming Events

Last day of term – Thursday 1st April.
Children to be picked up at 1.45.

Maths and English homework this term will be linked to what we are learning in class. This will be given out on a Friday and will be collected for marking by the following Wednesday.

Spellings – These will continue to be given out with the homework on Friday ready for testing the following Friday and activities will be available on Spelling Frame.

Please encourage your child to tell the time regularly and practice their 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables. They should also be encouraged to go onto Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables (ideally daily) as it really does boost their understanding of Maths.

Reading Books

Monday – books collected in.

Tuesday – new books handed out.

Thursday – books collected in.

Friday – new books handed out.

Please listen to your child read regularly and note in their reading log when you have done so. It would also be very beneficial to your child if you could share and enjoy books from home together. It really boosts their comprehension skills if you can question and discuss what you have read.

