



## Africa Class Year 2



Let our light shine!

Welcome back Year 2!

I hope you had a well rested half term and enjoyed the Jubilee celebrations!

Miss Martin and I, are excited to begin our last half term with you before you go into Year 3 and begin your journey into KS2.

This half term is going to be jam packed with lots of new learning and activities including our sports day!

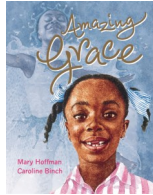
If you have any questions or queries this coming half term please do not hesitate to grab me on the gate or drop me an email!

This half term our topic is  
"The made a difference"

We will begin by focusing on people from the past (and present) that have made a significant difference to the world by taken a stand against injustice and made courageous acts against unfairness.

The children will learn all about people such as Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther king and Malala Yousafzai. We will learn this through our history topic as well through books and media clips.

We will also focus on our key text "Amazing Grace" and through our knowledge from our History topic be able to understand the character in the story.



We will also link this to our science topic "Protecting the Environment" look at the likes of Greta Thunberg and David Attenborough and how they have made a difference to our world.

### English learning objectives:

Within writing children will be focusing on instruction texts, diary entries and persuasive writing. Children will be able to:

- Punctuate sentences with a full stop, question mark and exclamation mark.
- Join words and clauses with subordinating and coordinating conjunctions
- Use new spelling rules accurately in their writing.

Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by

- Writing instructions
- writing about real events
- Writing persuasive reports

In reading children will:

- develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding.
- Be introduced to poetry and non-fiction books that are structured in different ways
- discussing and clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary.
- discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related

We will continue to do short burst phonics practice along side the RWI spelling scheme this half term we will be recapping spelling rules taught this year as well as recapping the use of apostrophe for contracted forms and for possession as well as homophones and homographs.

Please use the oxford reading owl logins you will receive to access the RWI reading books online at home.

### Math's learning objectives

Within Math's the children will be focusing on:  
Measurement of

- Length/ height
- Time
- Mass/ Capacity/ temperature

As well as problem solving involving this.

We will also revise addition, subtraction multiplication and division.

Please continue to use TTRS to practice the timetables we are focusing on in year 2. The children receive certificates for their efforts at home.

### Science

We will be learning about the importance of "Protecting the Earth" Using the guardians of the planet book.

#### D&T

We will be learning about healthy eating this half term and preparing some healthy foods as well as writing some instructions.

#### History

This half term the children will be learning all about the people who have made a significant difference in the world in relation injustice and fairness.

#### Computing

We will be learning about making music online and well as presenting ideas. Linking this to our topic lesson of keep the environment safe in our science lesson.

#### Music

Music lessons will be provided by the Norfolk Music Hub and link closely to our topic.

#### Religious Education

Our key question this half term is Why do Jews go to Synagogue?

#### PE

We will be focusing on Athletics in preparation for Sports day.

### Important information and dates

#### Homework

Please continue to read at home. Practice spellings spelling tests will be on Fridays and you will receive new spellings weekly linked to the spelling rules taught that week.

Homework books will be taken in on Wednesdays, marked and given back by Fridays weekly. Please look at the front page with information on which pages to work through in each book.

Please continue to bring in your child's books bags with reading records and books into school.

#### PE Tuesday and Wednesday

Our PE days will be Tuesday and Wednesday please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit on these days.

Forest School Fridays — The children have the fantastic opportunity to continue with their forest schools this half term. As the weather improves we still ask that you bring in long trousers to reduce the possibility of mosquito bites.