



### Africa Class Year 2



Let our light shine!

#### Welcome back Year 2!

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break.  
We are really looking forward to another busy half term.

Please feel free to contact me via the school office if you have any questions or concerns about your child. I am always happy to help and support in any way that I can.



This half term's learning:  
This half term we are going to be learning all about  
**Planet Earth**

The children will be exploring Planet Earth  
in Geography.

They will also be applying this knowledge in  
their Science when learning about  
different habitats.



#### English

We will begin this half term by exploring The Owl and the Pussy Cat and perform our own version of the poem.

We will then look at The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark. We will create non-fiction fact files. Additionally, we will create a new narrative for the story.

In addition:

Children will also be able to:

- Use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops
- Use past tense
- Use coordination
- Use subordination
- Use different sentence types



In **phonics**, children will continue to focus and recap set 3 phonics sounds using RWI (Read Write, inc). Children will apply their phonics knowledge to their reading and spelling.

In **spelling**, we will be learning new spelling rules.

The children will receive weekly Spellings and will be tested on these every Friday.

#### Maths

Every day the children will practice their number fluency through Number Ninjas followed by a short weekly arithmetic quiz on a Friday.

Our learning focus will be on:

- Money
- Multiplication and division
- Answering problem solving and reasoning questions



Please continue to work on your times tables using your TTRS log ins. This half term we are focusing on: 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s and 10s. Recapping these at home would really help consolidate children's knowledge.

#### Science

We be will learning about Habitats. We will explore how we know something is alive and where living things live.

#### RE

In RE we will investigate the question "How do Christians belong to their faith family?"

#### Art

We will be exploring the work of Henri Rousseau, practicing and applying his skills to create our own artwork of animals in their habitats.

#### Computing

We will be continuing our Purple Mash scheme of work. We will be learning about Spreadsheets.



#### Music

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

#### PSHE

We will be exploring what jobs people do. We will discuss what jobs we want to do and why.

#### PE

We will be practicing Dance with Mrs Greenland.  
**Our PE day will be Mondays and Fridays. Please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit.**

As the weather continues to stay cold, we politely request that your child brings a pair of wellies to keep in school. Please continue to bring your child's bookbag (containing their reading books and reading record), water bottle (with fresh **water** daily), a lunch box if required and a warm, waterproof coat every day. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you.