Thomas Bullock CE Primary and Nursery Academy
Summer 1 Newsletter

Africa Class
Year 2

Let our light shine!

Welcome back Year 2!

We hope you all had a lovely and relaxing Easter break. Thank you all for your continued efforts with reading and homework. We are really excited for 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 learning all about

People Who Made a Difference

The children will be learning about individuals from the past and present who have made a difference.

The human rights heroes we will learn about are: Marcus Rashford, Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King and Malala Yousafzai.

English

Firstly, we will be focusing on 'Amazing Grace'. We will read and review the book before using the text to create a diary entry. Then, we will be focusing on 'Guardians of the Planet' to write instructions for looking after our planet.

In addition:

Children will also be able to:

- Use time adverbials
- Use imperative verbs
- Use tenses correctly and consistently
- Use first person
- Use apostrophes for contraction and possession

In **Phonics**, children will continue RWI (Read Write, inc). Children will apply their phonics knowledge to their reading and spelling.

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:

- Measurement: mass, capacity & temperature
- Recapping the 4 operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Answering problem solving and reasoning questions

Please continue to work on your times tables using your TTRS logins.

Please also continue to use Doodle to support our learning in Maths and English.

Science

We be will learning about protecting the environment. We will be applying this knowledge in our English writing.

RE

In RE we will investigate the question "Why do people have different views about the ideas of God? (Christianity, Islam and Humanism)"

Art

We will investigate the work of Esther Malangu and use her skills to create African prints.

Computing

We will be learn about programming using bee-bots. Children will develop their understanding of instructions in sequences and predict outcomes.

Music

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

PSHE

We will be exploring what it means to be healthy, including: sleep, exercise, medicines, dental hygiene and mental health.

PE

We will be enjoying Real PE and cricket.

Our PE days will be Wednesdays and Fridays. Please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit.

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 RWI or library 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.