Thomas Bullock CE Primary and Nursery Academy
Spring 2 Newsletter

Africa Class
Year 2

Let our light shine!

Welcome back Year 2!

We hope you all had a lovely half term break. We can't wait to see your super half term learning!
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 continuing to learn 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.

We are very excited to have an 'Amazing Africa' and 'Map Skills and Mini Orienteering' session on 11th March.

English

We will be focusing on Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl.

Firstly, we will use the text to create character descriptions. Then we will use the text to create a non-fiction explanation text about food chains.

In addition:
Children will also be able to:

- Form coherent sentences
- Use a range of punctuation
- Use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions
- Use different sentence types

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

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:

- Fractions
- Length and height
- 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 will be investigating food chains and exploring habitats.

RE

We will investigate the question "How do Jews celebrate Passover (Pesach)?"

Design and Technology

We will be creating finger puppets.

Computing

We will be using a laptop to create music. They will listen to a variety of pieces of music, look at patterns and purposefully create music.

Music

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

PSHE

We will be exploring what the internet is, how it can help us and how to use it safely. Additionally, we will understand what money is, where it comes from and how we can look after it.

PE

We will be enjoying tennis and Real PE.

Our PE days will be Wednesdays 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 me via the school office. Thank you.