



Welcome back !

I can't quite believe we're already at the start of the summer term ! We have some exciting topics planned for upcoming term. Our overarching topic is 'Africa', and this topic will be a common thread in our Literacy, Art and Geographical lessons. In Geography, we will be learning about Kenya. Our Science topic continues to be Animals and Humans. If we're lucky, we *might* receive some furry visitors later on in the term – it does depend on whether we can be good mother hens in the lead up though ! In Computing lessons, we are looking at data handling, storytelling and emailing. In Maths, we are consolidating and building on our addition and subtraction confidence and will then spend time working with measure. Our RE topics are Eastertide and Birth of the Church.

At home, please encourage your children to learn and their spellings and recall previous words that they know.

When listening to your child read, it will be invaluable to pause throughout the book and ask your children to predict what might happen next, ask where, when and how questions about what has happened previously or ask them to talk about a favourite word that they have read in a book.

Last term I introduced 'Olympic Maths' to Year 2 which everybody will take part in on a weekly basis. It will be helpful to practice 2, 5 and 10 multiplication and division facts at home. Children will be given 21 multiplication questions that they have to complete in 3 minutes. If they achieve a score of 21/21 consecutively for 3 weeks, they will receive a move up a level. Already I have seen a huge jump in children's confidence with their multiplication tables and children are always praised and encouraged to beat their own score, rather than be in competition with their peers.

Thank you to all of you who check Seesaw regularly. I will continue to post on a regular basis what the children are up to in class, they love knowing that their work is shared with you!

This term please ensure that the children have

- a named Glue Stick
- a named apron or old shirt that can stay at school and get messy!
- their reading book in school daily.
- sunhat

We already have some exciting things planned for the term ahead and hopefully there will be even more to look forward to. Look out for reminders in the newsletter and any updates on Seesaw.

