



Important dates for your diary

Term begins: Tuesday 7th January 2020

Parents Evening: Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th January

First homework due date: Friday 17th January

Second homework due date: Friday 7th February

Half Term: Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

Third homework due date: Friday 28th February

Reception wildlife conservation park visit:
Monday 2nd March

Fourth homework due date: Friday 3rd March

Inset Day: Friday 3rd April

Reception Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back to Reception, we hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and are ready to start the new term. This newsletter will explain the new theme that we will be exploring in Reception throughout the Spring Term, and how you may be able to support your child's learning.

Theme: Animal Kingdom

Throughout this term we will be learning about animals from all around the world. We will explore the different continents, discovering why they make such wonderful homes for the animals who live there.

Below are some examples of activities and topics that will be covered in the upcoming term.

Animals in Europe: Butterfly colour mixing pictures, Animal Lady Visit, guess the animal sounds, healthy eating workshop.

Animals in Asia: Making Chinese New Year lanterns, creating dragon pictures on the iPads, sequencing the story of the Chinese New Year.

Animals in Africa: Joining in with an African drumming workshop, learning about deforestation, describing a jungle scene, visiting the school pond to learn about humans' impact upon nature.

Animals in Australia: Visiting the wildlife conservation park, learning about the Australian bush fires, creating a 'Save the Koalas' campaign video.

Animals in Antarctica: Taking part in a sponsored walk to raise money, creating posters to warn people of the effects of global warming, finding out about how Inuit people's lives are different to ours.

You can help by:

- Supporting reading through listening to your child read their books regularly and signing their reading record weekly. Please send these into school every day.
- Sending WOW notes into school to share your child's learning at home.
- Encouraging your child to write at home, reinforcing the correct pencil grip and letter formation. Children can use both the rhymes they have learnt in RML and the formation sheet sent home to encourage them to form their letters correctly.
- Identifying numbers in the environment and discussing the maths they have learnt throughout the term at school.
- Sending your child's P.E. kit into school at the start of every term.

Thank you for supporting your child's learning- Miss Westwood, Miss Sang, Mrs Meese and Miss Maxwell