

Into the Wild.



Welcome back! We trust you enjoyed the break.

This half term we will be exploring the wider world and all the exciting habitats. Often we use this topic to explore African stories but we will let the children interests guide us always.

Communication and Language

We shall continue to work on our vocabulary and listening skills. This



happens through interesting resources such as items from

other countries.

Physical development

This term our PE sessions will be Games. This incorporates ball skills such as catching, throwing and kicking.



If you have spare trainers that could go in the PE bag then they can change into these for outdoors PE. Otherwise school shoes are fine.

Personal and Social and Emotional Development

The What went Well session still proves



popular and is useful for us to reflect upon our

week and how we are feeling.

Next half term the children will start lining up in the playground in preparation for Year 1. It is important to promote this independence and make sure the children are coming in independently now. Try and say the goodbyes at the gate.



Reading Books



Stories **NEED** to be shared every day at home, either our reading books or your own.

Books **MUST** be in school every day.

Phonics

Phonics continues daily in Reception following the RWInc Scheme.

Children are taught the pure sounds and adults should try to not put an extra 'uh' on sounds or say the capital sounds. Please let me know if you would like any extra information on this.

Phonics

Literacy

We intend to read African texts such as Handa's Surprise and Leopards Drum. We are now working on the children attempting sentences and making sure the words are phonetically correct



Numeracy

Number songs and games are vital and are so useful to help your children become familiar with number recognition.

This term we shall be



investigating money. Please continue this at home with real life situations where possible.

We shall also be developing our 3d shape awareness.

Understanding of the World



The seasonal change will hopefully

bring warmer weather. Please remember to apply sun cream and provide a sun hat. Children still **MUST** have wellies and be in school at all times as we still play in water.

We shall be exploring other environments from round the world, such as Africa.

During ICT we will have time with Laptops, IPADS, Interactive Whiteboards, Beebots and CD players.

Religious Education

We use prayer every day to reflect upon our day and to be thankful.



Reception will also attend an act of Collective Worship once a week

with the rest of the school. Reception shall continue to think about special places for worship and we hope to visit the church again for this.

Expressive Arts and Design

This term we shall be developing our powder



paint skills and looking at watercolour and using

graphite pencils

We always have a variety of musical equipment available.



Please discuss at home different styles of music and enjoy the variations

if you find the opportunity.

Tapestry

We are very fortunate to have access to the Tapestry online journal system. This



enables us to observe your children and assess how they are developing with the Early Years Profile. This information is shared with you and you can share observations from home with us so that we can build on your child's interests. Please talk to us if you require further information regarding Tapestry.

Finally

Please remember we are a Voluntary Aided school and really appreciate your donations. These donations help us to



enhance the activities for your child at school such as cooking. These donations can be given to a member of staff on the gate in the morning.

We are always keen for parent helpers. Please talk to your parent rep if you can help.

This term is short but will be a busy one with the children now being asked to push their learning. I need to see their abilities and they

need to start preparing for their Yr1 adventure.

I love this enchanting class and know my team all feel the same. The children are so excited to learn. Without your



wonderful support they just wouldn't show such interest. So a big thank you to you.

**Mrs Bates and the
Foundation stage Team.**