



ST Lawrence Primary School – Year 2 Summer Term

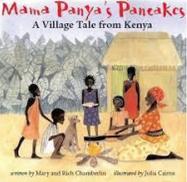
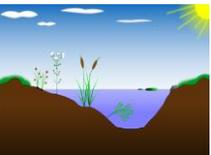


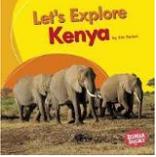
Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. It is so lovely to see all the children engaged and excited about this term, eager to become Kenyan experts as we start our topic of 'Summer Safari'.

We are really excited to be able to visit Brandon Marsh as part of our science work later in the term.

Detailed below are the curriculum areas we are covering this term and a few ideas of how you can help your child at home.

Subject	Information	How you can help
<p style="text-align: center;">English</p> 	<p>The children will be given the opportunity to explore different genre of texts linked to our topic with a particularly focus on poetry, non-fiction and traditional African tales.</p> <p>In reading, children will be expected to use their skills for researching information for our topic. Guided reading will be an important feature of each day, where children can practice their fluency, book talk and comprehension skills.</p> <p>We will continue with our daily phonics sessions.</p>	<p>To help your child at home, please listen to your child read as much as possible and practise the spellings that are sent home each week. Book talk is vital, the more discussion about a book the better!</p> <p>Please note that we encourage the children to read a wide range of books, so reading any books that interest the children should be encouraged.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> 	<p>This term, we will be revisiting key areas in mathematics to ensure that the children have the fluency and core skills to progress into YR3. We will be working on different types of measurement including length, weight and capacity. We will also practise telling the time.</p> <p>The children will be given the opportunity to practice their skills through problem solving activities.</p>	<p>Please keep practising number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 with the children. The children need to know the 2, 5, 10 Times Tables in random order (multiplication and division calculations) by the end of this term.</p> <p>Please practise telling the time on an analogue clock (not digital).</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> 	<p>This term, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will be linking this to our topic work. In the second half of the term, we will be able to observe and investigate the subject of habitats practically on our trip to Brandon Marsh. Also, look out for details of our Science theme week.</p> <p>We will be taking part in the Great Science Share and lots of science and technology activities.</p>	<p>Please encourage your child to ask questions about plants, animals and habitats. This will help them to contribute to investigations and discussions we have in class.</p> <p>We will also be setting a project with a science focus.</p>

<p>Topic</p> 	<p>Our topic this term is 'Summer Safari'. We have begun the topic by looking at the continents of the world and recapping the five main oceans. The main focus of our summer topic is Kenya. The children will find out about physical features of Kenya and will compare life in Kenya with that of the UK. We will learn out the culture, climate and people of Kenya. The children will discover the animals that might be found in the Kenyan savannah and learn about the people of the Maasai Mara.</p>	<p>Encourage children to look at maps and atlases and books about Kenya or Africa.</p>
<p>Computers</p> 	<p>The children will be learning about data handling and using computers to represent the data. The children will be using the internet to research and support our topic and science work as well as reinforcing online Safety during these lessons. We will also use the scratch programme to begin to learn coding.</p>	<p>Online Safety continues to be very important and discussing with your child about how they can keep safe on-line is very important.</p>
<p>PE</p> 	<p>In PE on Monday's, the children will continue to work on a variety of skills with Carl from Kits. The children will also be learning a variety of athletics skills in preparation for sports day. We will be competing in a gymnastics competition so will be working hard on our gymnastics skills. We are also lucky enough to have Miss Lorraine in to teach the children some exciting dance sessions throughout this term.</p>	<p>Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school on Monday and Wednesday. It is important that children have pumps or trainers that fit and all kit must be named. Please could long hair be tied up and jewellery removed for these sessions.</p>
<p>RE</p> 	<p>This term, children will be finding out about what makes places sacred across different faiths, including Christianity, Islam and Judaism.</p>	<p>When opportunities arise, please discuss with your child places that are seen as sacred.</p>
<p>Art/DT</p> 	<p>Art and DT are both linked to 'Summer Safari'. We will be creating art based on traditional African patterns and colours and looking at artists from Kenya. In DT, we will be making clay models and cooking.</p>	
<p>Music</p> 	<p>This term, we will be exploring musical instruments and making links to our topic by listening to and evaluating a variety of Kenyan music.</p>	
<p>PSHE</p> 	<p>This term, we will be learning about 'Making Choices for a Healthy Lifestyle'. We will make links to our Science topic and PE wherever possible.</p>	<p>Follow up at home would be appreciated. The children may have questions to ask at home relating to lessons.</p>

Homework is posted on Google Classroom every **Friday** and it is to be completed and returned via Google Classroom by the following **Wednesday**. The children will continue to receive English, maths and spelling homework. Reading books will continue to be changed on a **Friday**.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any queries or concerns.

Mrs Maffey and Mrs Monk