# Summer 1 Newsletter 2024

## Here comes the sun! (Hopefully)

This half term we will be learning about different animal groups and their characteristics. We will also be learning about the Masai Mara Game reserve and comparing it to Pyrford.

We are also very excited to be starting swimming, which will normally be on **Tuesdays**. The children can still wear PE kit on Tuesdays. Please continue to send your children in PE kits on Fridays.

#### **Reading and Phonics**

We are continuing to learn a new Phase 5 sound each week. These are normally alternative presentations of the vowel digraphs which the children learnt in Reception. After half term we will be moving on to reading passages of text and identifying spelling patterns.

Please continue to read the books with your children as often as you can. They will also continue to bring home a library 'reading for pleasure' book.

We will be having a 'Forest School' day which will support our learning about 'Out and About' in English poetry.

#### **Contact Details:**

If at any point, you would like to speak to any of us, please email us directly.

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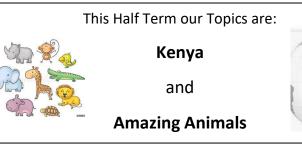
## DATES FOR DIARY

- PE days is Friday.
- Forest School day- TBC.



#### **Geography**

- Location of the continent of Africa
  - Location of Kenya
  - Features of the Masai Mara
  - Comparing Kenya to Pyrford







#### We will be;

- Identifying fish, birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians.
- Recognising the features of these animal groups.

### <u>Maths</u>

This half term will be learning about;

- Early multiplication and division
- Halves and quarters
- Money
- Time
- Position and direction

We will be;

- Using repeated addition
- Grouping and sharing amounts
- Finding halves and quarters of shapes and amounts.
- Telling time to the hour and half hour

All new concepts are taught using the concrete- pictorial- abstract progression.



<u>Music</u>

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- In music we are learning about dynamics in classical music.
- We will be using instruments to represent different animals.

## <u>English</u>

We have a class book every few weeks to base our learning around. These link to our topic.

- We will learn to read and write the Phase 5 sounds and associated Tricky Words.
- We will continue to read books that match the sounds we have been taught to practise and consolidate our reading skills.
- We will continue to apply our sounds in our writing. We will also begin to identify which spelling is needed when there is more than one possible GPC.
- We will learn rhymes to form our letters correctly.
- We are learning to use capital letters and full stops.

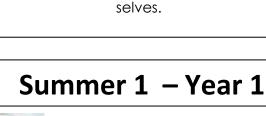


### <u>PE</u>

- Swimming
- Hit, catch and run

**Computing** 

We will continue to explore the keyboard and how to create electronic text.



**PSHE** 

In PSHE we will be thinking about 'Being our Best'



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This half term we will be thinking about fruit and vegetables.

We will taste different fruit and veg and practise using knives safely.

Then we will design and make our own fruit salad.

## <u>RE</u>

- This half term we will be learning about.
- We will learn about the holy Quran and the main
  religious celebrations.