




Year 2 Newsletter



Date: Lent 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We have put together some information that you may find useful as you support your child this half term.

What is daily life like in Kenya?		Key vocabulary
English: 1. Stories from another culture - characters, feelings and settings. 2. Non-Chronological Reports - African Animals - Focus on Elephants. Texts will include: non-fiction books about African animals and the animated short story-Zahra.		Exciting adjectives Similies Extended Sentences Titles Sub-headings
Maths: Measurement – Money (recognise, count, compare, find the total/difference, find change) Number - Multiplication and Division (make/add equal groups; make/use arrays; multiplication sentences; 2, 5 and 10 times-table; dividing by 2, 5 and 10; and odd and even numbers).		Arrays Equal Equal groups Lots of Commutative
RE: Books - The Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. Learning about the Bible and the Gospels. Thanksgiving- Understanding that being thankful is an important attitude for everyone. The Eucharist is the way many Christians give thanks to God for all the things we are grateful for in our lives, including the gift of Jesus. The Mass is a special time to thank God.		
Geography: Where in the world is Nairobi? To locate the 7 continents: Asia; Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Oceania To locate the 5 main oceans of the world: Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Southern and Arctic. To know that Kenya is a county in Eastern Africa. To know that Nairobi is the capital city of Kenya, it is located in the highlands and is the largest and fastest growing city in Kenya. Nairobi National Park is the main tourist attraction in Nairobi.		Ocean Continent Valley Mountain Savannah
Science: Animals and Humans - Life Cycles To know that animals, including humans, have offspring that will grow into adults. To learn that the lifecycle of a frog has four stages - egg, tadpole, froglet and frog. To learn that the lifecycle of a chicken has four stages - egg, hatchling, chick and chicken. To learn that the lifecycle of a butterfly has four stages - egg, caterpillar, pupa and butterfly.		
Art: African Art – Edward Tingatinga Edward Tingatinga (1932-1972) was an African (Tanzanian) artist. Tingatinga art uses recycled, low cost materials e.g. ceramic fragments, bicycle paint and Masonite squares (like MDF) Know that tertiary colours are made by mixing a primary and a secondary colour.		

Computing: Programming - Robot Algorithms To know how to describe a series of instructions as a sequence. To explain what happens when we change the order of instructions To use logical reasoning to predict the outcome of a program To design an algorithm To create and debug a program I have written		Instructions Program Sequence Algorithm Debug Prediction Order Route
PSHE: RSE- Parts of the Body The children will learn the correct terms for the male and female parts of the body They will learn which body parts should be kept private. Sinister or Safe? To know that medicines can help people to stay healthy To know that household products can be harmful if not used correctly To know about things that people can put into their body or on their skin; how these can affect how people feel		Private Male Female Safe Harmful Helpful Medicines
Music: Composing Compose, using known rhythmic notation and notes known on instrument.		Rhythm Notation Notes 

P.E. Fitness and Team Building

P.E. will take place on a Tuesday and Friday.

Children need to have in school:

P.E. kit: navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms, white t-shirt, school jumper, trainers or plimsolls.

Please note:

No jewellery.

As PE may take place outside, please ensure your child has tracksuit bottoms and a navy sweatshirt/jumper.



Dates for your diary

Thursday 9th January	Mass at Church 10am
Friday 14 th February	INSET day