



Bears Class News

What we are learning...

Topic:

In Spring 1, we have a fascinating new topic— Why is Africa Amazing? With a geography focus, we will be learning about what it means to travel to another country and why we might explore new places. We will be inviting one of our amazing teachers from KS2 to talk to us about her own travels to Africa. If any parents have any knowledge or experience of visiting or living in Africa, please let us know! Our lovely new role-play area contains a travel agent, a luggage scanner and an aircraft to explore the world in!

Literacy:

We have now begin our Phase 3 phonics sounds (a copy is on the website for you). Our stories this half term will link to our learning about Africa and support us in beginning to write simple sentences. We have some classic tales such as Handa's Surprise and The Ugly Five!

Maths:

We will be embedding skills with numbers 1-5 and extending our numberwork to 10. We will be learning more/less, equal/unequal, height/length, making 10 and 3D shapes.

Our values

Perseverance & Respect

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."

- Winston Churchill

Dates for your diary:

Chinese New Year - 1st Feb
Safer Internet Day - 8th Feb
End of Term - 17th Feb
TRAINING DAY - 18th Feb

We would like to say a huge thank you for the gifts and treats given to us this Christmas. We are very grateful for your kindness.

Happy New Year!

Mrs Skelton, Mrs Young
& Mrs Peace

Key Information...

Reading:

Having completed our initial teaching of phase 2 phonics, it is now **essential** to embed this which cannot be achieved without home reading. Please ensure that you are reading with your child **at least** 3 times per week and ideally, daily.

PE Kits:

Fridays only. We have some brand new balance bikes and chariots which will provide the children with plenty of opportunities for physical development.

Homework books:

You will find a homework book inside your child's book bag. These books will include weekly phonics consolidation work. They also have an assessment of your child's knowledge of our taught Phase 2 phonics sounds. Please support them to learn any unhighlighted sounds. Please ensure homework books are returned on a Thursday to give time for new work to be added. Thank you for your continued support.