9th February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, as a team we hope that you and your child had a restful half term break. The purpose of this letter yet again is to provide you with an insight into what your child will be learning at school this term and how you can best support them at home.

Both your child’s Reading and Writing sessions will centre around the story **There's a Rang-Tan in My Bedroom by James Sellick**. This book is available on many online resources, such as YouTube, if you wanted to share the story with your child at home. This is **not** compulsory but would benefit your child if you are able to do so as their Writing will place an emphasis on the events of the story.

The Reading sessions will place an emphasis on comprehension questions, answering questions about what they have read in a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts. The Writing sessions will focus on developing your child’s ability to write a persuasive letter and a non-chronological report; focusing on using conjunctions, the past and present tense accurately and using a range of punctuation throughout their writing i.e. capital letters, full stops, commas in a list, question marks & exclamation marks. Once completing a piece of writing your child will also learn to revise and edit their own work i.e. checking for mistakes and correcting them, and making improvements to their writing.

In Science, this term our focus will be ‘***Animals including humans’***. We will explore the life cycle of a frog and humans; learning about how they grow and what they need in order to survive. Geography will be based around the topic of **‘Sensational Safari’**, your child will develop their understanding of Kenya and recognise some similarities and differences to where they live.

Computing will focus on programming. This will enable the children to use their programming skills to design their own quiz.

PE will be on a Wednesday. Children **are expected** to bring their P.E. kit to school and dress themselves. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly label with your child’s name. Your child will be going outside this term so you may wish to provide a jumper and tracksuit bottoms.

Homework will be sent home on a Friday and needs to be returned to school by the following Wednesday. Please ensure your child is reading 3 to 4 times a week, reading books are set regularly on Rising Stars, if you do not have access to a device please inform your child’s class teacher. Don’t forget to sign your child’s reading record so we know when your child can receive a reading prize in school.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year Two Team – Miss Eatwell, Mrs Holland and Miss Mackemsley.