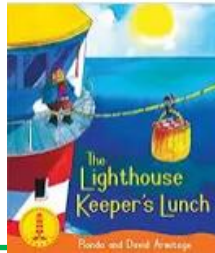


## Year 2

### Newsletter Term 4



**English** - This term, Year 2 will be using the story 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch' to enhance their writing skills whilst practising the skills of using different conjunctions and writing for different purposes. We will be concentrating on the quality of the writing and showing the children how to edit their work and make simple revisions.



**Maths** - The children will be using the skills and knowledge learnt last term and applying it to fractions, money and time. Counting in 2,3,5,10 will help us when reading scales, understanding divisions on a clock and understanding fractions. We will also be focussing on calculation and sending home extra practice should you wish to complete it with your child.

**Topic – On Safari in Kenya.** We will be learning about the different continents and focussing on the African country of Kenya. We are lucky to have Mrs Cupples, Mrs Jenkins and a few of our own children who have first-hand experience of Kenya and what life is like there. We will be using their experiences as well as our curriculum knowledge to contrast Africa with the UK and make comparisons between the countries. We will learn African songs, create African inspired artwork, research habitats, learn Swahili and immerse ourselves into the beauty of Africa. Hakuna Matata!

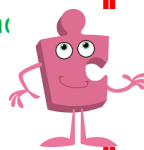


#### **What else are we learning?**

We are linking our English text with our other areas of the curriculum such as Art.

Using the ipads, children will research and create pictograms as part of the computing curriculum. We will be continuing to implement the key values we hold here at Larkhill with the children as this is having a positive effect on the children so far. Our jigsaw focus will be Healthy Me. Every day, we will continue to practice kind minds and finding different ways of regulating our feelings through breathing.

PE – its time for a spot of tennis!

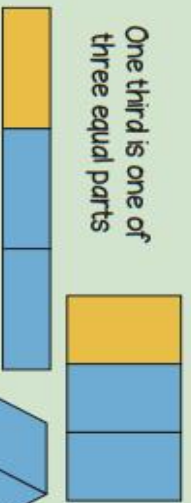


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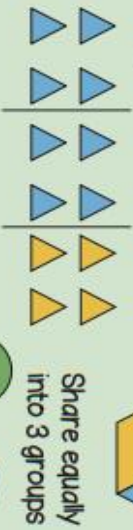
**What do we need to remember?** Reading books will be linked to your child's individual phonic ability. These will be changed on a rota once they have been read three times. Please ensure these are in school everyday.

P.E will be on a **Tuesday** and outdoor learning will be on a **Wednesday** this term so please ensure children are wearing kit on those days and have warm layers, spare clothing and wellies to reflect the ever-changing weather. Insufficient kit for these days will mean the children will be unable to take part in full forest school activities.

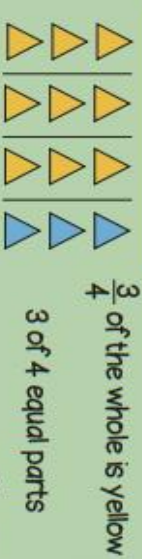
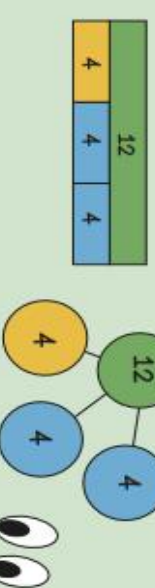
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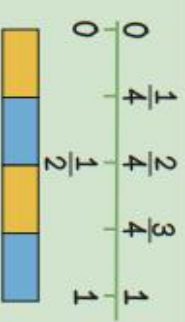


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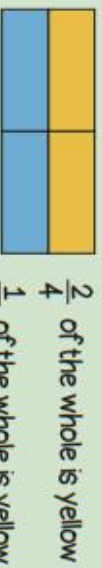


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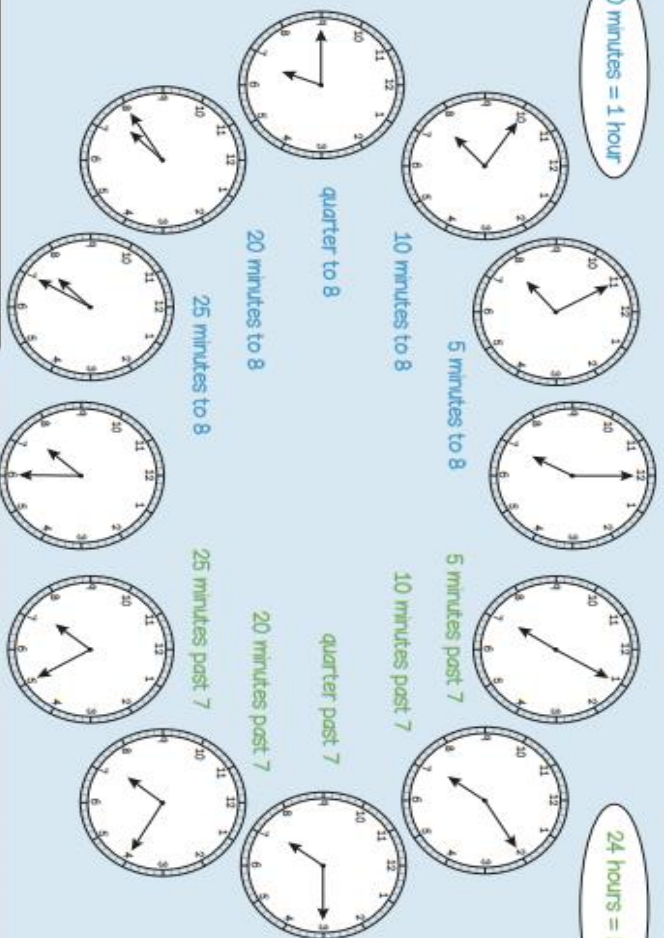
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$\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole is yellow



60 minutes = 1 hour

24 hours = 1 day



## Year 2 Term 4



Make 38p



£5 + £10 = £15



70p in different ways



12p change from 50p



Spend 38p



62p change from £1



## On Safari! Would you rather live in England or Kenya?

### Key Vocabulary

Country	A large area of land that fits into a bigger continent
Continent	A very large area of and made up of different countries. There are seven continents
Ocean	A very large stretch of sea water
Equator	An imaginary line around the centre of the earth.
Physical Feature	Something that has come about naturally e.g. river
Human Feature	Something that has been put on earth by humans e.g. houses
Climate	The type of weather that a country has including rain and temperature
Savannah	Large grassland found in hot dry places
Safari	A trip through the savannah to see wild animals.
Drought	A long period of time with lots of heat and no rain
Difference	When things are not the same
Similarities	When things are the same
Compare	The way in which two things are the same and different
Carnivore	An animal that eats other animals
herbivore	A plant-eating animal
tribe	A group of people who live together
ancestors	People from your family who lived long ago



- The world is made up of 7 **continents** and 5 **oceans**.
- England is in the **continent of Europe**.
- England is surrounded by the **Atlantic Ocean**.
- Kenya is in the **continent of Africa**.
- It is surrounded by 3 different **oceans**

### Climate

- **Climate** means the type of weather that a country has.
- The world has an imaginary line running through it called the **Equator**.
- Countries like Africa which are **near the equator are the hottest countries**.
- Countries **far away from the equator are the coldest countries**.

- Kenya is in the East of Africa.
- Kenya has its own **national Flag**.
- The two main languages spoken are **English and Swahili**.
- **Nairobi** is the capital of Kenya.
- The money in Kenya is called the **Kenyan shilling**



### The Savannah

- **The African Savannah** is a large area of **Grassland** with some **trees and shrubs**.
- For about **half the year** it is **very wet** with lots of rain.
- The other **half of the year** is **very dry** with hardly any rain at all.
- There are lots of animals in the **Savannah** because they like to graze on the grass and trees.



## Going on Safari

- In England we have foxes, squirrels, badgers, deer and hedgehogs as wild animals.
- In Africa the Savannah is home to lots large wild animals such as Lions, Rhinos, Giraffes, Elephants, leopards, cheetahs Buffaloes and Zebras, Gazelles and Hyenas.
- You can go to see these animals in their natural habitat by going on safari



## Weather and Seasons

- In England we have four seasons: **Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.**
- Africa is hot all year round and doesn't have the same seasons as us.
- Instead of hot and cold seasons, they have wet and dry seasons.
- Every day in Africa, is hotter than in England.
- Even though the days are hot, the nights can be cool.
- Even when it rains it is hot.

## Size:

**Africa** is a very big **Continent**. There are 54 different countries in Africa. The United Kingdom would fit into Africa 120 times. On its own, **Kenya** is twice as big as the United Kingdom.







## Where do people live?

- Some people live modern lives in big cities and do jobs in shops and offices
- Some people do jobs such as farming and live in villages in the countryside- their houses may be built of wood and brick or mud and sticks.
- Some people live in tribes in huts made from wood and mud.
- People in the villages live in the same way their ancestors did 100s of years ago.
- Some villages don't have electricity or running water.

## Lots to see

Because Kenya is so big there are lots of different things to see and do:

- Beautiful sandy beaches that are hot all year round
- Snow topped mountains.
- Volcanoes- eg **Mount Kenya**- the largest mountain in Kenya
- Savannah
- Rivers
- Cities eg **Nairobi, Mombassa**
- Small villages eg **Nanuki, Dani**

	English	Kenyan
city		
village		
house		
countryside	