



Class Tanzania Termly Newsletter

Spring Term 2020



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the Year 2020! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas break! The children have come back ready and refreshed for the Spring Term. This term we have lots of exciting topics planned detailed in the Curriculum Overview. Our Novel Study this term is 'The Boy Grew Dragons' by Andy Shepherd, a story about dragons, mischief and friends. We will be developing our reading skills throughout this study. Our WOW day will be held on Thursday 13th February and will be based on our History topic this term, which is the Shang Dynasty (see the curriculum map) Dressing up for the WOW day is optional however more ideas will develop for our WOW day later on in the term so keep an eye on ParentHub for more details. As always, if you would like to speak to any of the adults, we will be available on the playground in the morning and at the end of the school day. If there are any messages you would like to communicate with me, please detail these in your child's diary and I will respond to these messages as quickly as possible. I very much look forward to what this term has to offer!

Thank you, Miss Rogers and the *Class Tanzania team*

Volunteering

Any help is more than welcomed especially in the morning when we read with the children. Please speak to any member of the Class Tanzania team if you would be interested.

Homework

The children will take home daily reading books & weekly spellings which will be either in their diaries or on ParentHub.

On Fridays homework will be set for Maths or English/Topic, usually due back the following Thursday.

We appreciate all your support

Physical Education

Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school every week and taken home at weekends ready for the next week.

We have PE twice a week so please remember PE top, shorts and trainers for outdoor PE (Spring/Summer) PE top, tracksuit bottoms/leggings/shorts and plimsolls/trainers for indoor PE.

PE days have changed to **Thursday and Friday**.

Thank you ☺

Curriculum Info

This term we will also be covering:

- English-Traditional Tales (alternative versions), explanation texts
- Spellings (SPaG) and Reading - taught daily
- Maths - Place Value, Time, Measures, Statistics
- Science-Light
- RE: God/Incarnation
- PSHE: Diversity and Communities
- PE& Games: Gymnastics, Netball (invasion games)
- Computing-Algorithms
- History-The Shang Dynasty
- DT- Diets of animals and humans
- MFL-Alphabet and parts of the body

Reading & Spellings

Daily reading books will be sent home. Practising high frequency words and common exception words is a vital part of homework for KS2 children as they learn to read more fluently and develop their comprehension skills.

Please continue to read every day with your child and record this in their diary. Children will be able to change their book, if their diary has been signed. To develop their comprehension, it is good to discuss the book with your child, supporting with any misconceptions that may arise. Again, we appreciate your support.