



Our Year 1 Newsletter

Monday 9th January 2023

Welcome Back

Happy new year from the Year 1 team!

Thank you all very much for the cards and gifts that we received at the end of last term. We trust that you all had a lovely festive break. We hope you all enjoyed the 'Baarmy Bethlehem' nativity performances at the end of last term. The children worked so hard and we are so proud of them all.

This term our topic is Amazing Africa. If your child has any links to, or any experiences in, Africa we would love to know about them. Please email or speak to your child's teacher.

Term 3

This term we will be:

- * Focusing on the text 'We're Going on a Lion Hunt'
- * Learning about the Maasai tribe
- * Comparing Maasai culture to our own
- * Learning about different African animals especially the 'Big Five'
- * Exploring African arts and crafts

For more details on what we will be covering in each subject area this term, please see our Web of Discovery on our Year 1 webpage.

Handwriting

We will also be starting daily handwriting sessions. During these sessions, the children will start practising pre-cursive handwriting. There will be a link attached to the Year 1 webpage to show what each pre-cursive letter looks like.

PE

Going forward the children will take part in two PE sessions per week.

All classes will have outdoor PE on a Monday as well as their current indoor PE session.

Please make sure your child comes into school on both their PE days in their PE uniform.

PE DAYS

Darwin—Mondays and Fridays

Earhart & Goodall—Mondays and Wednesdays

African Experience

We are very much looking forward to our workshop with the African Experience company this Wednesday.

The workshop will include:

- A story telling session
- An introduction to African drumming
- An African dance lesson
- Lots of African crafts

Reminders

Please make sure that your child brings in a clearly labelled water bottle each day.

Please make sure all of your child's uniform, including ties and jumpers, are clearly labelled.