



# Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term 2023

Welcome back to school! I hope you had a restful Easter, enjoyed lots of chocolate and had time to spend some quality time together. We have so many wonderful things planned for our last term!

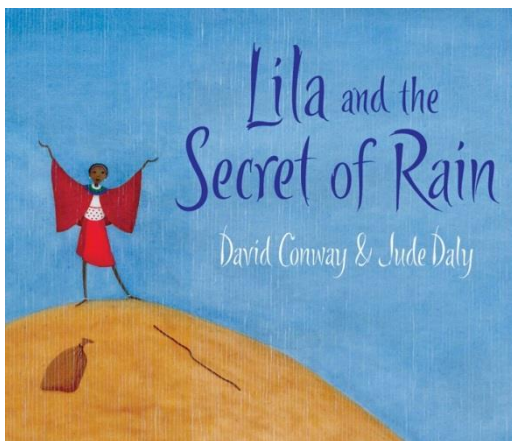
## Ways to support at home

- Support them with telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes, real life situations are really useful.
- Check your child can recall their 3 times table.
- Help them to develop their stamina for reading longer texts and hear them read at least 3 times a week.

The summer term 'Go Outdoors' homework will be available on Class Dojo! I'm really looking forward to hearing all about the creative ways you have completed the challenges!

## English

To begin the summer term, we will focus our English lessons on Lila and the Secret of Rain. Through the book, we will explore the water shortage across Africa, in particular Kenya, whilst also studying the main character and her actions and making inferences and predictions.

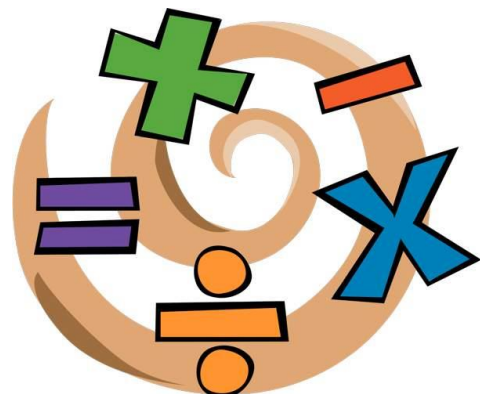


During the summer term, we will recap commas and apostrophes and continue our work on the different sentence types; commands, statements, exclamations and questions.

## Maths

In maths, we will continue to work on fractions, including finding fractions of shapes and amounts. There will be lessons on the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, telling the time to the nearest five minutes and comparing units of measure. We will also cover position and direction, clockwise and anti-clockwise, and refreshing our methods for addition and subtraction.

We will continue with our daily Early Bird maths, our weekly arithmetic and weekly in Multiplication Monday. All of these things help to reinforce and secure the skills we are working on in our maths lessons.



## Topic - History

Our topic this half term is Florence Nightingale. The children will learn all about her early life, the Crimean War and why she is considered to be significant individual today. We even have an exciting afternoon with History Alive planned in!



## P.E

Our P.E topics for this half term are striking and fielding and athletics. PE will be on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. We will also continue to utilise the running track.

**Polite request- please can all children have a pair of trainers that are kept in school for our PE lessons. PE pumps are not supportive enough for their feet whilst running.**

## Science

Our next Science topic is plants, which will provide children with the chance to learn about seed dispersal, germination and plant maturity. Mrs Dixon will be teaching this teach this on a Thursday afternoon.



## R.E

In RE this half term, we are thinking about The Church, and why it is such an important and special place for Christians. We will begin developing in pupils an understanding of what happens in church and why and also give children an opportunity to begin exploring places of worship across world faiths.

## General Notices

**PE kits:** blue shorts, white t-shirt, black pumps and trainers. Children will need an outdoor kit (a blue or black tracksuit). **P.E kits need to be in school every day.** Kits must be clearly labelled.

**Homework:** Go Outdoors themed. Please see Class Dojo.

**Reading books:** will be changed as and when your child puts them in the box. Please ensure you sign in your child's reading record to confirm that the book is finished.

As always, if you have any questions, or if you would like any further guidance in supporting your child, please don't hesitate to get in touch- via the school office, or on Class Dojo.

Year 2 Team

Mrs Shepherd & Miss Scrivens