



## Year 3 Newsletter Summer 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to an exciting school year, the children have worked extremely hard last term and we look forward to working closely with you this year.

### Science

Our science topic is Plants. Pupils will learn to:

- Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers
- Explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant
- Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants.
- Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.
- Know that plants make their own food.



### Reminders

**Homework and spellings** are set on a Friday each week. Spelling words must be learnt in time for the spelling test, the following Thursday. Homework should be completed by the following Tuesday.

**PE** -will be on Mondays and Thursdays. Please send your child in to school wearing the correct PE kit.

### Reading

Reading diaries must be signed by a parent/carer at least 3 times a week. Diaries must be handed in to the class teacher every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

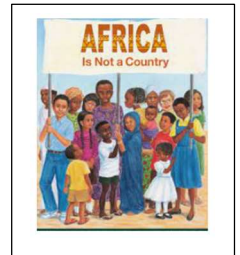
### English

Linking our learning to our topic, Africa. The children will be reading the text '**Africa is Not a Country**' by Mark Melnicove. The text gives good insight into Africa and celebrates the extraordinary diversity of culture, tradition and the way of life as experienced by children at home, school, work or play. From reading, the children are encouraged to use their imagination to write narratives, create dialogue between characters, develop a descriptive setting and to improve their writing using a wide range of techniques.

### Grammar and Spelling:

The children will be learning to include the following in their writing;

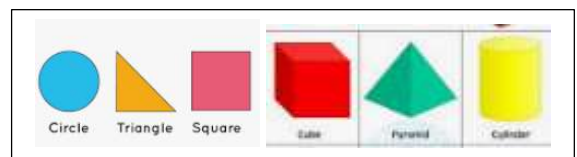
- Nouns phrases, adjectives, verbs, adverbs
- Simple and compound sentences
- Coordinating conjunctions
- Subordinating conjunctions
- Punctuation; capital letters, full stops, commas, question marks and exclamation marks.



### Maths

In Maths, we will focus on Geometry - properties of shapes. Pupils will learn to:

- draw 2-D shapes and make 3-D shapes using modelling materials; recognise 3-D shapes in different orientations and describe them
- recognise angles as a property of shape or a description of a turn
- identify right angles, recognise that 2 right angles make a half-turn, 3 make three-quarters of a turn and 4 a complete turn; identify whether angles are greater than or less than a right angle
- identify horizontal and vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel line



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