

Reception Newsletter
Summer Term 2

We have reached our final half-term of Reception and what a journey we have had! The children have grown so much since I met them in January and have learnt so much! The fun still continues for this final stretch though, and we can't wait to make the most of the last few weeks before we reach Year 1!

This half-term, our new topic is:

On Safari

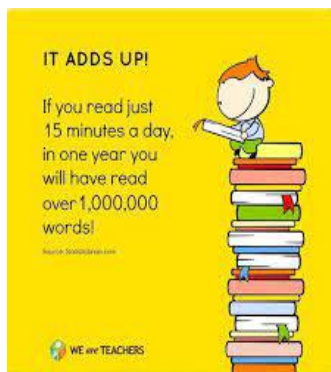
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During this topic, we will be embracing the warmer weather and thinking about all things safari! We will look at Africa on the map and compare the hot climate to our climate here in Kingstone, and find out about all of the different exotic animals – what they eat, how they live and learn some fantastic facts!

If you would like to take part in our topic at home, you could:

- Find out about an African animal and make a fact file.
- Make your own map – can you include lots of exciting landmarks such as lakes, mountains, rivers etc?
- Make a piece of African art. Use the different techniques we have learnt in school – you could collage, use junk modelling, do an observational drawing. Be creative!



Home Reading

As we are leading towards Year 1, it is just as important as ever to foster a love of reading. In order to do this, it is so beneficial to support your child as much as possible at home in order to build on their enjoyment, confidence and reading abilities. Remember that children's reading books are changed as often as they are needed so please hear your child read as often as possible and record it on Boom Reader.

PE and Outdoor Learning Day

PE will continue to be every Tuesday and Outdoor Learning Day will continue to be Thursday. Please ensure that children come into school wearing the appropriate clothing on these days. Please could I ask that regardless of the weather, children wear their black / navy blue jogging bottoms or leggings for our Outdoor Learning Day as we want to prevent stings, bites and grazes whilst out in Forest School.

Warm Weather

As the weather warms up, it is important to keep the children hydrated and safe in the sun. The children will be encouraged to drink regularly throughout the day and to wear sun hats. We have a class set of sunhats for your child to use in school when needed. If you haven't already and would like to send named suncream into school, we can ensure that the children reapply at lunchtime when required.



Events to look forward to:

- Friday 7th June – Reception Showcase
- Friday 14th June – Whole School Disco (4:30 – 6pm)
- WC 17th June – Whole School Opening Minds Week (50 Things to do Before Leaving Kingstone)
- Thursday 20th June – Sports Day (weather permitting – times TBC)
- Saturday 22nd June – Kingstone Academy Summer Fair
- Thursday 4th July – Whole School Taster to new classes
- Wednesday 17th July – Colour Runner

In this final half-term, you will also receive your child's Reception reports.

As always, if you have any questions about your child or our new topic, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your continued support. I am looking forward to our final half-term together and am excited to see what this final stretch brings!

Miss Nicholas and the Reception Team.