

# Parent Information: - Key Stage 1

## Autumn Term 1 2017

### *English*

#### Phonics and Spelling

We will continue to build on the phonic skills that we already have and learn new sounds. We will learn about common spelling patterns and use them in our independent writing.

#### Writing

Our writing will link to our class books, which will include a range of fiction and non-fiction texts.

We will consolidate our knowledge of sentence structure using the 'Fantastic Five' to check our work.

### *Science*

#### Animals Including Humans

In Year 1 We will be learning about how humans are animals. We will label the parts of the body and find out about our five senses.

In Year 2 we will learn about the differences between things that are living, things that are dead and things that have never been alive. We will find out about animals and their habitats and simple food chains.



### *Mathematics*

#### Year 1

Counting forwards and backwards in ones and twos.

Reading and writing numbers in numerals and words (4/four).

Identifying one more and one less than a given number.

Number bonds and subtraction facts to 10.

Adding and subtracting 1-digit numbers.

Solving simple word problems.

#### Year 2

Counting in steps of 2, 3, 5, and 10.

Place value of tens and ones.

Comparing numbers using <, > and = signs.

Reading and writing numbers to at least 100 in numerals and words.

Using place value and number facts to solve problems.

### *Topic*

#### Let's go on Safari

We will find out where Africa and Kenya are on a map of the world.

We will explore the climate, culture and landscapes of Kenya and compare Kenya with the United Kingdom.

### *Computing*

Y1 children will be learning to log in to their own accounts. Then they will practise opening and using software and saving the work that they produce.

Y2 children will practise using Microsoft word to enter text and edit it. They will use different fonts and text sizes and learn about inserting and resizing text boxes and images.

### *Creative Arts*

We will be linking our art work with our 'Going on Safari' topic.

We will see what happens when we mix colours together and create an African Sunset picture.

We will take part in an African Drumming workshop.

### *PE*

Outdoor Games practising a range of multi-skills including ball control, throwing and catching and target games.

#### **How you can help at home...**

- Practising the spellings and Learn Its that are sent home weekly.
- Read EVERY day
- Talk about what has happened in stories or books of interest once you have read with them.
- Help to complete weekly homework activities.
- Encourage your child to talk about what has happened at school.
- Practise telling the time.