



Ancaster
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Class South Africa Termly Newsletter Summer Term 2017



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Class News

We hope that you all had a super Easter. This term we are looking forward to "Journey of Life", which will be an exciting, practical geography-based topic based on our new class novel "Dear Olly" by Michael Morpurgo, one of our favourite authors. We will also be using extracts from other animal-related fiction like "Life of Pi" and "Jungle Book". From Monday to Thursday, Mrs Hiorns will teach the class and Mrs Dickinson will teach them on a Friday. Mrs Dickinson will work in the class as a teaching assistant for the rest of the week. If you have any problems, please speak to us before or after school. We always welcome voluntary help, so please speak to Mr Eden or Mrs Talbot, if you could spare some time to help with our class. Also if you know anyone who is an expert on nature, we would love to hear from them.

PE

Weather permitting; our PE lessons will be outdoors on both Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child has correct PE kit including footwear. Thank you.

Reading Records

Please try to read regularly with your child; filling in their reading records. It is helpful, if these are signed before Thursday each week. This term we will be focussing on making comparisons within and between books.

We hope you find this information useful. We will be available on the playground before and after school each day. Please do not hesitate to catch us if you have any questions.

Best Wishes,
Mrs Hiorns/Mrs Dickinson

Curriculum Areas

We hope that our class novel "Dear Olly" will inspire some creative challenges in all curriculum areas. There will be some exciting links between our geography work on migration and our science work on living things.

Our Artwork will focus on collage- creating some brilliant bird collages. We will also design and make some 3D clay creatures. African patterns will provide the starting points for our textile creations.

Our end of term play, which will involve the whole class, will give us an excellent opportunity to showcase our talents in: drama, music and art.

In computing we will focus on combining media and 3D modelling using "Sketch-up."

In French we will be talking and writing about: school, clothes and travel. Our PSHE work will focus on diversity, sex and relationships and healthy and safe lifestyles.

Homework

English or Maths homework will be handed out each Wednesday to be handed in the following Monday. It is really important that homework is completed on time, so that we can discuss issues arising together. If children are unable to do part of their homework, it is better that they bring in what they have done, so that we can go over any problem areas. Each term we will also set a research project based around our termly theme.