

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful Summer!

Our topic for this half term is



# Africa and the Rainforest



Here are some of the things your child will learn this half term:

<p><b>English:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will be asking questions about a range of books to develop our understanding.</li> <li>We will be learning to use a range of conjunctions (such as: when, but, although and if) and fronted adverbials (for example, in the middle of the night).</li> <li>We will be learning to use cohesion in our writing and organise our work into paragraphs.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Maths:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will be learning to recall multiplication and division facts up to 12x12.</li> <li>We will be adding and subtracting 4-digit numbers using a written method.</li> <li>We are learning to understand the place value of 4-digit numbers and use reasoning to explain why a number is larger or smaller.</li> <li>We will be developing our problem solving skills.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Science</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will be learning about Sound.</li> <li>We will be looking at how sound is made and investigating patterns with volume and pitch.</li> <li>In our music lessons, we will be developing our knowledge of pitch further using our voices and drums.</li> </ul>
<p><b>History:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will be learning about Africa and the Rainforest</li> <li>We will be learning about the structure of the Rainforest and the animals that live there.</li> <li>We will also be learning about what type of people live in the Rainforest and how they survive.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Art:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will be looking at African art.</li> <li>In particular we are going to look at paintings called Tinga Tinga.</li> <li>We will develop our skills in using pencils, pastels and paints.</li> </ul>	<p><b>RE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our big idea for the half term is rules where we will look at the importance of rules and laws.</li> <li>We will be learning about the Torah, which is the first part of the Jewish bible.</li> </ul>

## Homework and Spellings

- Spellings are given out on a Monday and are tested in school on the following Monday.
- English and Maths Homework is given out on a Wednesday and is due back in school on Monday
- If you have any questions about homework please see me.



## A few reminders

- Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday. It is essential that children bring the correct PE kit into school.
- Children should be reading at home every day. Please make sure that it is written in their reading diaries.
- It is important that children have a labelled water bottle in school.