

# Year 2 News

#### Reminders

Please be reminded that your child will now bring home a reading book and reading journal in their book bags. Please read with your child at least three times a week and record any comments in their reading journal.

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P.E. this half term is **Tuesday** and **Thursday**. Your child must have their full P.E. kit in school, including a pair of trainers.

Please make sure that they are not wearing earrings or jewellery on these days, as they will have to remove their own earrings before their P.E. lesson.

# This term we are learning...

This half term we will be learning all about the continent of Africa. We have been visited by theatre group "The Mighty Zulu Nation", where your child will had the opportunity to watch, learn and perform a traditional African dance. We will also be learning about the continents and oceans, healthy living and Tanzanian artist Edward Tingatinga.

### Phonics

In Phonics your child will be re-visiting Phase 3 sounds. Please support them to identify sounds they have been taught when they are reading, and also to spell the Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words.

# English

In English, we will be writing a non-fiction information book about an African village and comparing this to our life in Ravensthorpe. We will also be reading the story "Meerkat Mail" and looking at stories and postcards based on the book. When your child is writing at home, please encourage them to use capital letters and full stops, adjectives (describing words) and conjunctions (such as: and, because, but, so) in their work.

## Maths

In Maths, we will be learning to partition numbers in to tens and ones, for example 87 has 8 tens and 7 ones. We will then be using this understanding to add and subtract numbers to 100, practically and mentally. We will also be learning to count in 2's, 5's, 10's and 3's which your child can practice at home.