



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 2 Term 3 2021/22

Welcome back everyone! We all hope you enjoyed your winter break with friends and family and are now ready and raring to start the new term (and year!) back at school. We have planned a range of exciting learning opportunities and know that this term will be another fantastic one at The Manor.

This newsletter will give you a brief overview of what your child will be covering up until the February half term break. If you have any questions please speak with any member of the Senior Leadership Team or see your child's teacher at the end of the school day.

We would also like to remind our families that we are a nut-free school. Some of our children suffer with various allergies and so in order to keep everyone safe, we ask that you do not include food items containing nuts in your child's lunch box or as a break time snack. We would also like to reiterate that as your child is in KS1, they receive a healthy snack provided by school. We therefore ask that all children in KS1 (Year R – 2) **do not** bring in an additional snack.

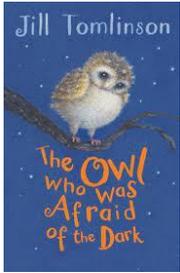
Finally, thank you to our parents/carers who have recently offered to help out in school on a voluntary basis. We look forward to inviting you all into school to support the children's learning as soon as we are able. Unfortunately, the current climate and local advice means this cannot happen at the current time. Thank you for your understanding with this.

English

In English this term, we will be beginning a new fiction piece on The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark. This is a lovely story about a courageous owl's journey to becoming a night bird and we are so excited to see how the children re-tell it. We will be focussing on using punctuation correctly, particularly apostrophes for both possession and contraction.

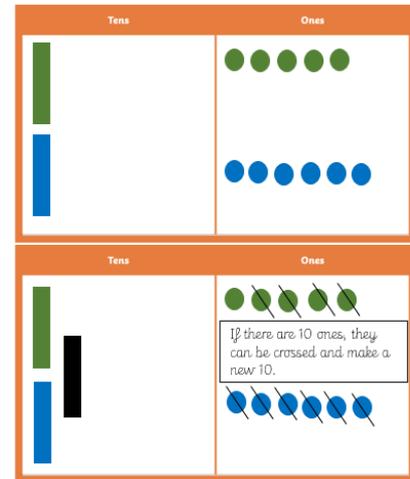
Maths

In maths this term, we will be revisiting addition and subtraction, this term learning how cross the ten while doing this.



We kindly ask that you read with your children at least 5 times a week. We ensure an adult reads with your child as often as possible in school but it is crucial that your child practises at home as well to develop their fluency, intonation and comprehension. We ask that you continue to maintain a reading record for use at home and we will be sending home notes to you to keep you informed of your child's reading progress.

$$15 + 16 = 31$$



After this, we will be learning more about fractions and how to find a fraction of a shape and of a number.

If you would like any information on how we teach these methods in class or guidance on how to support at home, please do not hesitate to speak to your class teacher.

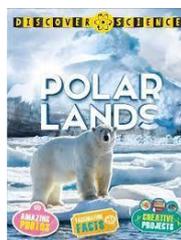
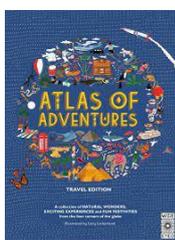
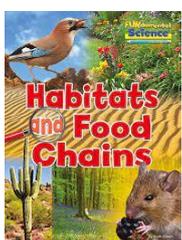
Topic Subjects

Our Foundation Subject Topic this term is "Extreme Earth"

It's an extremely exciting topic where we will be learning all about the different continents, oceans and climate zones that make up our amazing planet. We will be exploring different animal habitats and how animals have adapted to live in these extreme conditions. We will be focussing on the North and South Poles for part of our topic learning and will be researching Robert Falcon Scott, the brave British explorer who wanted to be the first person to reach the South Pole! Please refer to your child's Extreme Earth knowledge organiser to better understand what your child is learning about in school.

Term 3 Reading Spine

These are a selection of books Year 2 children will be exploring during this topic. They have been carefully selected as high quality texts to support your child's learning of the curriculum. We invite children to read these books during their free-reading time in school but you may also want to grab a copy for your own bookshelves at home!



	<p>Your child will be taking part in P.E on Thursday and Friday. They will also be taking part in Forest School every Thursday. We ask that children come to school dressed in their P.E kits on the days that they have P.E. We would like to remind our families that this involves wearing their teams coloured T-shirt (plain, no slogans), black/navy blue shorts or black/navy blue jogging bottoms and trainers/daps. Usual school sweatshirt/ cardigan can be worn with this – no other sweatshirts to be worn please. If you do not know which house your child is in, please email the class email address – AfricaClass@sgmail.org.uk</p>
	<p>We will continue to send home your child’s homework for the entire term. This will include the term’s spelling words/rules and Maths Instant Recall Facts. We would love to see any evidence of these activities in your homework books and we will be asking for homework books to be brought back into school on Wednesday 16th February. These will then be marked and returned to your child at the beginning of Term 4. Also, we would like to remind you that your child is able to log on with their purple mash logins to complete any extra homework and practise their learning at home.</p>
	<p>Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day, as at this time our water fountains will be out of use. Also please make sure that their school uniform is labelled clearly with their name and class. We ask children not to bring in their own stationery, toys or items from home into school. We will provide all the equipment that your child needs.</p>

Year 2 Term 3 Key dates:

- **(Monday 17th January) In-school interactive synagogue visit.**