

Important information

PE

PE will usually take place on a Tuesday and Friday. However, please make sure PE kits are in school all week in case of timetable changes.

Children will need:

- Outdoor trainers (with Velcro fastenings if possible)
- Spare socks
- Plain black or burgundy shorts and a plain white or school burgundy t-shirt
- A warm sweatshirt is also needed in case it is chilly.

Please ensure all clothing is named clearly, including school uniform, to reduce lost property.

Please also ensure that hair past the shoulders is tied up and earrings are removed.



Important Dates

This term we will be holding a 'Class Café' on Tuesday 26th February. If you wish to come there will be refreshments at 9am and there will be an opportunity to see some of the work we have produced from 9:15am-9:45.

Parents' information evenings will be held on Monday 4th March (5pm-8pm) and Tuesday 5th March (4pm-7pm).

Home Learning

Please continue to support your child's progress in reading by spending a short time daily reading together. Little and often is best; please ensure reading is a fun activity to look forward to. If your child becomes stuck on a word, encourage them to use one of the self help strategies we use in school:

- Sound the word out.
- Use the pictures for clues (the illustrations are very important for teaching children to read).
- Read ahead and come back to the tricky word. Use your understanding of the story to work out what a likely word could be.
- If your child is still unsure, help them and praise their efforts.

Help your child to be an active reader by discussing the text together. Ask probing questions and connect the story to your own life.

Please continue to support your child with their home learning. I love seeing the inventive interpretations ☺

Home learning will continue to be sent home every Friday to be returned the following Wednesday for marking.

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle at school.

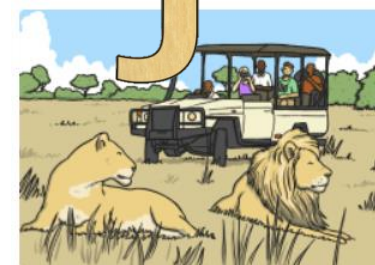
Isleham Primary School

Year 2

Spring Term Newsletter

Amazing Animals

Safari



DINOSAURS



Welcome to the Spring term

This term we will be learning about the amazing animals in our wonderful world.

We will be journeying to Africa to discover the geography of Kenya through focusing on the main human and physical features of the country. Then we will learn about the key geographical features of the country including Kenyan wildlife, landscapes and culture. Children will learn about the similarities and differences between Kenya and the UK along with continuing to develop their geographical skills through a variety of fun and interactive activities.

In Spring 2, we will then become immersed into the world of Dinosaurs and venture through the prehistoric world. We will make some moving pictures and create our own dinosaur poems. In English we will become palaeontologists and learn about a variety of dinosaurs to write a non-chronological report.



What we are learning this term



Science

In Science, we will be learning about living things including humans. We will classify living things by identifying their similarities and differences. As well as this, we are going to study the lifecycles of several animals, and learn about food chains.

Maths

Maths will be taught daily to develop our fluency, reasoning and problem solving skills. We will be learning a variety of skills including multiplication and division, statistics and shape.

English

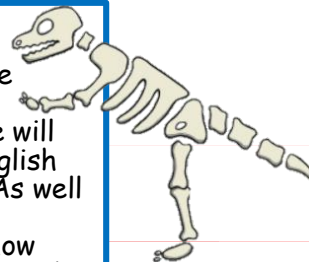
We will be completing daily English and Phonics lessons. We will be enjoying a range of texts including non-fiction books and websites to discover more about dinosaurs to write non-chronological reports. We will also be writing Kennings for Safari animals.

Geography

We are also going to be learning about African Safari, specifically looking at Kenya and investigating the amazing animals which inhabit the continent of Africa.

History

We are learning about the history of dinosaurs and the theories surrounding the extinction of dinosaurs. We will use what we learn in our English non-chronological reports. As well as this, we will explore the evidence which exists to show that dinosaurs roamed the earth and create our own fossils.



Art and DT

In art this term, we are learning sculpture techniques! We are going to learn about the work of 6 sculptors and the children will make their own sculptures using a variety of techniques.

In DT, we are going to make moving pictures.

RE

In RE this term we will learn about Christianity. We will focus on the stories Jesus told, and why Easter is important to Christians.

PE

In our PE lessons, we are going to be learning Dance and games using ball skills.

We will be going outdoors for PE when the weather begins to improve!

PSHE

We are going to be learning about economic wellbeing and financial capability. This will enable the children to understand key concepts about money and provide insights into its function and uses.

Music

In Music, our weekly lessons will develop our teamwork by learning the historical context of rock music. We will also be learning about the reggae style of music in the second half of term.