



April 2024

### Dear Parents/ Carers,

Last half term the children worked very hard and produced some excellent work that they should be very proud of. They relished our topic on Tanzania! It was so much fun “catching the plane” and flying to Tanzania using Google Earth. With a focus on human and physical geography, we explored how Tanzania has been developed over time and the children were fascinated with the diverse geographical landscape Tanzania has to offer. In Art, the children enjoyed designing and making their own Maassi Jewellery. They also investigated African masks of the Dogon Tribe and designed and created their own masks in an African style.

### Residential Visit to Beaumanor

We are looking forward to our residential to Beaumanor Hall. Please remember it is easier for the children to have everything packed into one large suitcase rather than having extra bags with wellies in. Please ensure all medicines including travel sickness tablets are handed to the Year 2 staff (Monday 2WP) or (Tuesday 2ML). We will also collect in any pocket money so please don't pack it in the suitcase.

If you have any concerns about your child sleeping on a top bunk, please let us know.

No electronics or extra food to be packed, thank-you.

### Fruit:

Just to remind you that fruit is available at school. If you wish to provide an alternative snack, we ask that it is a healthy option therefore crisps, chocolate or nuts (in case of allergies) are not an option.

### PE:

We will continue to teach PE twice during the week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please can you make sure your children come dressed for PE on both of these days. As the weather is unpredictable, please ensure they are dressed appropriately.

PE uniform:

dark jogging bottoms/ leggings or dark shorts, a white t-shirt, a dark jumper/hoodie and trainers.

# Homework reminder

## **Reading:**

When you have heard your child read, please sign their diary and ask your child lots of questions about their book to help their understanding. Ideas can be found on the reading target attached to your child's reading diary. The children are encouraged to change their books regularly throughout the week.

Following morning registration, we continue to conduct whole class guiding reading in which they develop their written comprehension skills so arriving on time is essential.

## **Ed-shed and Times Table Rock Stars**

Please continue to use the Ed-shed app on a weekly basis. Additionally, please continue to access Times Table Rock Stars (Garage Game only please) to keep their number skills fresh when we are not covering them on a daily basis in school.

Kind regards,

The Year 2 Team