



### Africa Class Year 2



Let our light shine!

Welcome back!

I hope you've all had a wonderful and relaxing summer break and are looking forward to the exciting school year ahead. We can't wait to welcome everyone back to Africa Class and begin another fantastic year of learning, discovery and fun together.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child at any point during the year, please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office. I am always happy to help and support you in any way I can.

This half term's learning:

This half term our topic theme is 'Kings and Queens'.

In History, children will be exploring the topic of 'Kings and Queens'.

In English, they will be writing their own poems 'If I Were a King / If I Were a Queen'.



#### English

We will begin this half term by reading 'If I Were a Giant' and children will create their own 'If I Were a...' poem.

Children will also be able to:

- Use adjectives in a sentence to describe
- Use expanded noun phrases
- Use the conjunctions— because, and
- Use the past tense (suffix -ed)
- Know the different word classes
- Use commas in a list



Children will develop positive attitudes towards by:

- Daily handwriting sessions to develop our joined handwriting
- Writing for different purposes including a story and poem

#### Phonics

Children will recap their sounds using RWI (Read Write Inc.) and apply this to their reading and spelling.

The children will receive weekly spellings and will be tested on these every Friday.

#### Maths

Every day, the children will practice their number fluency through Number Ninjas followed by a weekly arithmetic quiz on a Friday.

The children will be learning:

- Representing numbers to 100 using the part whole model
- Counting in 2's 3's 5's and 10's
- Missing numbers
- Fact families
- Number Bonds to 100



Please continue to work on your times tables using your TTRS log ins. Please also continue to use Doodle to support our learning in Maths and English.

#### Science

We will be learning about 'Animals Including Humans'. We will be focusing on what animals need to survive, how they change as they grow up and the importance of healthy living.

#### History

The focus topic this half term is 'Kings and Queens'. The children will learn about the history of the monarchy and the significant roles each monarch has played.

#### Design Technology

We will be designing and constructing crowns fit for Kings and Queens.

#### Computing

We will be beginning our Teach Computing scheme of work, starting with E-safety and 'Computing Networks'.



#### Music

Music lessons will be provided by the Norfolk Music Hub and linked closely to our learning.

#### PE

We will be practicing our tag Rugby skills with Miss Greenland.

Our PE days will be emailed out. Please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit on PE days.

As the weather begins to turn in the autumn term, we politely request that your child brings a pair of wellies to keep in school. Please ensure your child has suitable clothing for all weathers in school. Please continue to bring your child's bookbag (containing their reading book and record), water bottle (with fresh water daily), a lunch box if required and a warm, waterproof coat every day. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you!