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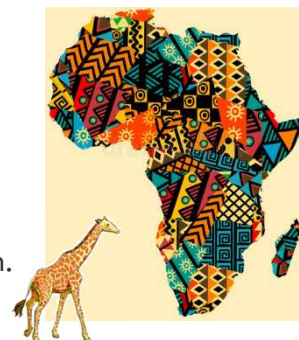
Monday 25th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 2 children,

A very warm welcome back after what we hope was a relaxing Easter break for everyone. We can't wait to hear all about what you got up to during your time off!

Our Topic in Summer Term: Amazing Africa: 'From Gloucester to Ghana'

Our topic this term is 'Amazing Africa' where we will be studying what it's like to live in Accra, the capital city of Ghana. We will also be learning about the true story of *Zeraffa Giraffa*, a gift from the Pasha of Egypt to the King of France in the 1800s, to inspire our writing. In Music, we will learn about traditional African Call and Response songs. In Art next half term we will be learning about printing to make our own traditional Kente cloth.



Reading in Year 2

As usual your child will be bringing home new reading books once a week which will then be changed weekly. Your child **must read at home** at least **five times a week** to earn a reading point. Please record that you have done so in their yellow reading record to evidence this. Many children in Year 2 are close to receiving their first reading award (a book mark and certificate) and some are even wearing their bronze reading badges with pride! Please can you make sure your reading books are brought into school every day so we can add up their reading points.

PE this term

This half term P.E. will take place on a Wednesday afternoon and will be run by Montagu Academy. Bring your child to school in full P.E. kit on Wednesdays, appropriately dressed for the season. The children will wear their kit all day so no need for a change of clothes.

Items to bring in to school

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school at all times and a named sun hat. Please make sure **all items are named** (especially jumpers) as unnamed items cannot be returned to their rightful owners. We always have a lot of unnamed and thus unclaimed jumpers, especially in the warmer months when children take off their jumpers in the playground. Please also ensure that toys and belongings from home are not brought into school as these cause upset to the children if they are lost or broken and can also disrupt their learning.

Thank you for your cooperation and support! If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Best wishes,

The Year 2 team (Mrs Stancombe, Miss Fitzgibbon, Mrs Mustoe and Mrs Gough)

