



# Year 2 Dolphins Class

## Term 4



Dear Parent/Carers and children

Welcome back! We hope you had a break and that you and the children enjoyed a wonderful week off. We are very excited about the wonderful learning we have planned for this term in Dolphins Class.

### Reading in Year 2...

As usual reading is very important part of learning this year. They need to bring their book in every day. Please try to hear your child read for at least ten minutes **every night**; talk about the story and ask questions like 'what happens when...' and 'who are the characters...', 'what happens first..?' etc. This will help your child to make **real progress** and pick up the important skill of inference.

On the back of this letter is a prompt sheet of questions to help you with your child's reading



### This term

Topic - Our topic this term is Let's Go Safari where we will journey to Africa. We will join explorers as they visit Kenya and meet the people, wildlife and landscapes. They will learn where Kenya is on a map and undertake a variety of fun activities to help them learn more about Kenya and compare it to the UK.

Literacy - We will focus on a variety of genres including story writing, non-chronological reports, poetry and recount writing. As much as possible it will be linked to our topic, including reading several books based in and around Africa.

Maths - We will continue to use the Inspire maths programme working primarily this term on measures, fractions, shape, problem solving and money.

Science - We will be starting a new unit on Animals and their Habitats which ties in well with the topic, where the children will find out about different habitats and all the living things within them. Exploring first the difference between living and non-living things, we will then find out about habitats in familiar local areas, before looking further afield from seaside to the Sahara!

RE - We will be looking at the Salvation and digging deeper into Why Easter really does matter to Christians.

PSHE - Following the Jubilee Scheme focussing on Patience and Respect.

D T - project:- Year 2 have been chosen to take part in a nationwide competition. We are going to make trains! Please can you send your child in with a shoe box - preferably with a removable lid. Needed by week commencing **wc 11<sup>th</sup> March**.

### General reminders:

- The class will be doing PE on Tuesday - **where we will be doing Infant Agility**. Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school and that all items are clearly labelled.
- Mrs Holman and Mrs Hodgson will be taking the class on a Monday afternoon.
- As last term your child may bring in a **water** bottle to keep in class. This will be kept on a class trolley and can be accessed throughout the day. Please make sure it is clearly marked with your child's name.
- Homework will be given out on a **Friday** and will be due back on the **Wednesday**.

Thank you

Mrs Porteous, Mrs Holman & Ms Reay