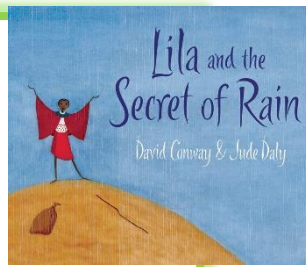


In English we will ...

The next fantastic book we will be sharing in our classes is 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' by David Conway. We will be thinking carefully about the story of a young girl who tries to save her village in Kenya from the terrible drought. We will be describing the setting and writing in role as the main character on her way to find the secret of rain... We will be continuing to focus on different spelling and grammar rules through Phase 6 phonics.



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Year 2 Newsletter Summer Term 1 2023

Welcome back to a new term! We hope you had a lovely Easter holiday. We can't wait for all of the exciting things we have planned for this term.

Thank you for your continued support, Miss Proctor, Mr Cosgrave, Mrs Fenner and Mrs Simpson

Year 2 Key Information

- Please ensure PE kits are worn to school on PE days. Year 2 will have PE with Coach Alhaji on Mondays and their class teachers on Thursdays. No earrings should be worn on PE days.
- Please keep toys at home and limit bookbag keyrings to just one!
- Please remember to bring a named water bottle every day which can be refilled during the day.

Home Learning

Home Learning Jigsaw- Please choose one activity to complete each week and upload it to SeeSaw. The jigsaw has been sent home and uploaded to Seesaw. Children can complete the activities in their green books or directly onto Seesaw.

Spelling Home Learning- The weekly activity is based on that weeks phonics learning. The activity will be set on Seesaw **every Friday** afternoon. Please complete the activity and upload to Seesaw by **Wednesday**.

Mathletics- Please log in and complete the assigned activities which are based on learning from the week. The activities will also be set every Friday afternoon.

Reading- Children should be reading at least three times a week, for approximately 10 minutes. **Please record any reading in your Reading Record.**

Useful websites

Phonics play- <http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>
Spelling frame- <https://spellingframe.co.uk/>

Important Dates

Friday 28th April – Own Clothes Day FoR

Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday (Coronation)

Saturday 13th May—FoR Family board game café

Thursday 18th May- Parents online safety forum

Friday 19th May—KS2 Quiz FoR

As mathematicians, we will be...

- Recapping how to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour
- Learning quarter past and quarter to the hour
- Telling the time to 5 minutes intervals, both past and to the hour
- Using and applying the fact that there are 60 minutes in a hour
- Exploring the number of hours in a day
- Focussing on measuring lengths and heights using a ruler, metre sticks and tape measures
- Comparing and ordering the length and heights of objects

How can you help at home?

- **Continue to encourage your child to read every day if possible! Children can choose reading books from their class book corner daily. They could also read their own books from home.**
- **Encourage children to use measuring equipment at home such as, rulers, weighing scales and measuring jugs to secure their knowledge of reading different scales and becoming familiar with different units of measurement ie. cm, m, g, kg, ml and l.**

In Science we will.....

- Continue with our unit of 'Living things and their Habitats'
- Make observations of a local habitat and the creatures that live there
- Understand how living things adapt to their habitat
- Describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals

In Geography we will.....

- Recognise familiar places in our local area
- Use maps to gather information about our local area
- Use compass directions, locational/directional language to describe locations

In RE we will

- Continue our study of Judaism
- Learn to understand how celebrating Passover helps Jews show God they value their special relationship with Him

Year 2

Wider Curriculum

Summer 1

In Music we will ...

- Take part in music technology and instrumental lessons with Mrs Fathers, our music specialist teacher from Bromley Youth Music Trust

In PE we will

- Work with the Crystal Palace Sports Coach – Coach Alhaji to work on making it difficult for opponents to score points and to choose specific tactics
- Develop power, agility, coordination and balance
- Negotiate obstacles showing increased control

In Computing we will ...

- Learn about data handling tools that can give more information than pictograms
- Use yes/no questions to separate information
- Construct a binary tree to identify items

In Art we will.....

- Learn about 2 textiles techniques, weaving and wax-resist dyeing
- Weave paper and other materials to create under the sea placemats
- Learn about the use of traditional batik in Indonesia and around the world before designing and making our own batik coasters using wax-resist sticks