

## Autumn 1 Term

# Year 2 News

### Upcoming Events

Mighty Zulu Nation are visiting Year 2 on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Come to school at 2.45pm and see your child perform an African dance.

All parents/carers are welcome to join us in class from 8.50-9.15am on Friday mornings and look at the work we have been doing each week.

### Reminders

Please be reminded that our P.E. days this half term are **Monday** and **Thursday**. Your child must have their full P.E. kit, including trainers, in school every Monday and every item must have your child's name in it. No earrings or jewellery allowed on these days.

### This term we are learning...

This half term we will be learning all about the continent of Africa and will be visited by the South African theatre group "The Mighty Zulu Nation". Your child will have the opportunity to watch, learn and perform a traditional African dance. We will also be learning about the continents and oceans, healthy living and Tanzanian Artist Edward Tingatinga.

### Phonics

Your child will work in an ability-phased group that allows them to focus on their own reading and spelling needs. Please support them to identify sounds they have been taught when reading and also to spell the Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words.

**Mrs Ahmed:** Recognising words containing the letters S, A, T, P, I, N.

**Mrs Idle:** Re-capping and learning new Phase 5 sounds, including 'ay', 'ou', 'ie', 'ea', 'oy', 'ir', 'ue' and 'aw'.

**Mrs Coop:** Applying suffixes, including 'ed', 'ing', 'er', 'est' and 'ly'.

**Miss Sowerby:** Blending and recognising words containing the letters S, A, T, P, I, N.

**Miss Fox & Mrs Griffiths:** Re-capping Phase 3 sounds, including 'qu', 'ch', 'sh', 'th', 'ng', 'ai', 'ee', 'igh', 'oa' and 'oo'.

### English

In English, we will be writing a non-fiction information book about an African village and comparing this to our life in Ravensthorpe. We will also be reading the story "Meerkat Mail" and working on stories and postcards based on the book. When your child is writing at home, please encourage them to use capital letters, full stops, adjectives (describing words) and conjunctions (such as: and, because, but, so) in their work.

### Maths

We will be learning to partition numbers into their tens and ones, for example 87 has 8 tens and 7 ones. We will then be using this understanding to add and subtract numbers to 100, both practically and mentally. We will also be learning to count in 2's, 5's, 10's and 3's, which your child can practice at home.