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Coming up next week...27/2/2023

Maths

Learning in school:

This week we will be focusing on estimation. We will begin by explaining that estimation is a sensible guess and that, with practice, guesses can get better! We will discuss why estimation is useful and then complete some practical estimation with quantities of objects in different containers around the room. We will move on to estimating where a number could be placed on a number line and then introduce the idea of rounding. Lastly, we will use the skill of rounding to practice estimating what the answer might be to a given calculation.

English

Learning in school:

This week we are going to write fact files about Lesser flamingos who live in Africa. We will begin by recapping what a fact file is, talking about its features. Then, children will learn some facts about Lesser flamingos. Children will then take these basic facts and 'supercharge' them, creating their own fact file featuring subheadings, interesting sentence openers, adjectives and conjunctions.

Reading - Children will be starting the book 'The Greatest Palace' in bug club.

SPAG - doubling the last letter before adding -ing if the second last letter is a vowel e.g. hum---humming, pat---patting

Topic

Learning in school:

Geography: We will be learning about where Malawi is and what life is like there.

Geography: It's St David's Day on Tuesday 1st March so we will be talking to the children about this. We will be reminding children where Wales is and share any facts that the children already know.

World Book Day: - children will be completing different activities based on the book 'knock, knock superhero'

RE: We will be sharing the Christian narrative of Jesus healing the sick and the blind.

Music: We will begin a new module for this half term, which is called Zootime, to coincide with our learning about Africa.

Computing: We will introduce the children to a new module this half term: making music digitally using 2Sequence.

PE: For this half term, we will be looking at target games and sending and receiving.

Homework

Please look inside your child's homework book for this week's homework slip. Thank you.

Additional notes and reminders

World Book Day - we will be celebrating World Book Day in school on Friday 3rd March. Children to come dressed as a book character or as a colour or multiple colours with suitable shoes.

Don't forget your child can still participate in the 'Read a Rainbow' Reading Challenge. All the children need to do is pick 7 books to read (or listen to), one for each colour of the rainbow. The colour might link to the front cover, it could be in the title, a character might wear the colour or it might link to the author. For example, your child might choose to read a book all about fire engines for the colour red or a book about pirates sailing the sea for blue. The children can be creative with how the books link to each of the colours. Each child who completes the rainbow challenge will get a special sticker and all completed entries will be put into a prize draw to win an exciting book. Completed entries need to be handed into your child's class teachers by Thursday 2nd March where the winner will be drawn during Friday's whole school assembly.

Please ask your child's teacher if you need the sheet to go alongside the read the Rainbow challenge.

Our new topic this term is Africa. At the end of the term, we will be making dioramas out of shoeboxes. We would really appreciate it if you could have 1 shoebox ready for your child for the last week of term (week beginning 27th March).



Class email addresses:

Please <u>do not</u> use these email addresses to tell us about changes to pick up, as we do not always have the opportunity to check the class email addresses during the school day.

Leopards: leopards@mead.surrey.sch.uk

Bears: bears@mead.surrey.sch.uk

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Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.