



## Year Two Weekly Newsletter

Week Ending: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is nice to have everyone back after the break and the children are ready to learn new and exciting things. This half term we are learning about India and comparing it to the UK. We will also learn about some famous individuals and the difference they made in our society.

On **Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> of November** we will be thinking about children in need and pupils can come to school in non-uniform. On the same day you can donate tombola prizes for the Friends of Ely St John's Christmas Faire.

On the **24<sup>th</sup> of November** we would like to take the children to Cineworld Ely to watch the Croods 2. This will be a free treat for all children. The movie is between 10-11:45 so we would leave school at 9:30 and will be back for lunch.

| Literacy  | Numeracy                                   | Topic   |
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| We started our story about Rama and Sita. Children acted the story out and they will be writing character descriptions, then retelling the story. | We will start working with multiplication. | In RE we are learning about Divali.<br>In Geography we will be comparing weather in Ely and weather in New Delhi.<br>In Science we will learn about animals including humans, life cycles and animal offspring.<br>In Art we will be making a Diva lamp using clay and paint to decorate it.<br>In History we will explore the life of Gandhi and Mother Theresa. |

### Homework

Please complete homework in the homework book and make sure your child hands it in no later than Wednesday each week. Marked books will be returned to them on Friday each week.

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| <b>Reading</b><br>Please read with your child regularly and fill in the reading chart. | <b>CLIC Learn-its</b><br>Our learn-its are:<br>1X10=10<br>2X10=20 |
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|   | $3 \times 10 = 30$<br>$4 \times 10 = 40$  |
| <b>Spelling</b><br>Children will have their next spelling test on Friday (11 <sup>th</sup> of November).<br>These are the words they will be tested on: <b>child, children, eye, because, different</b> | <b>Literacy activity:</b><br>Write a book review about one of your favourite books. You might want to include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Who the main characters are and a description of their personalities.</li> <li>- The reasons why you like the book, e.g. is it long or short, is it exciting or funny or does it really make you think, how does it make you feel and why?</li> <li>- Do you like the ending?</li> <li>- Does it have any similarities or differences to other books you enjoy? What is the same / different?</li> <li>- If you were trying to persuade a friend to read the book, what might you tell them?</li> </ul> |

### Additional Homework Activities

**These activities are optional, meaning that your child DOES NOT HAVE TO DO THEM, however they might enjoy doing them! If your child chooses to complete any of these, they can do them in their homework book.**

1. Choose a favourite animal and draw and label its lifecycle.
2. Anti-bullying week takes place during the week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> November. Draw a child who is being bullied or a child who is bullying. Add thought bubbles to show what they are thinking and feeling.
3. Draw around your hand and create your own henna design. Different patterns symbolise different meanings, for example a bird means freedom and flowers mean joy and happiness. Write a sentence to explain what your pattern means.
4. We are learning about Mahatma Gandhi, who is famous for his words of wisdom. Research 'Gandhi quotes' and choose one with an adult. What do you think it means? How can we use it in our everyday lives?
5. Over a week, create your own weather chart. You could record the temperature as well as different types of weather. Can you think of symbols to show different kinds of weather?
6. Choose a capital city from the United Kingdom and make a poster filled with information about this place.

