

w/b 20th February 2023

Welcome back to Term 4! This week we have begun our new curriculum theme of 'Amazing Africa'.

We have...

- Learned about the different animals that roam the African savannah. We enjoyed watching a video to learn about the different herbivores and carnivores that live in the wild in Kenya, sang a song about the 'Big Five' we might see on safari and shared the story 'We're going on a lion hunt'. Each afternoon we are linking up to the live camera feed at a watering hole in Kenya. So far we have spotted water buffalo, herons, elephants and giraffe. I will put the link on our webpage so you can watch at home too.
- Discovered how different animals use camouflage to help them 'hide'. We learned how animals use colour, pattern and even shape to help them blend into their surroundings. Prey animals can use camouflage to stop them being easily spotted by predators but predators also use camouflage to help them sneak up on their prey or lie in wait without being seen.
- Shared our preferences by writing about our favourite African animals. This term we are
- focusing on extending our writing and thinking more carefully about our letter size.
- Tried out some hula dancing in our P.E. session.
- Explored number order in our maths sessions. We are now using all numbers to 10 when tackling ordering, comparing and composition activities. We enjoyed playing a game of bingo and then took turns to swap or turn over different numbers in a number line using the vocabulary of 'before' and 'after' to explain how we knew what the missing numbers were.
 - Tried weaving! We worked with a partner to weave paper on a simple loom. We had to follow the pattern of over, under, over, under. Some of us have also tried out some weaving activities in our choosing time too. Take a look on our webpage next week to see how we got on.





Well done to all our Ladybirds who completed all Term 3's home learning challenges. You are amazing!

The first challenge of Term 4 is linked to our Jigsaw sessions this term-Keeping Healthy. We have learned that we need to exercise and keep our bodies moving for about an hour everyday. Of course at school we are always on the move; P.E. lessons, our daily wake and shake activities, morning play, lunch play and outdoor learning in the afternoons all help to keep us active and keep our bodies healthy!

We would like you to keep a diary this week to show what exercise you do each day. This might be dancing, judo, gymnastics, swimming, playing in the park, jumping on a trampoline, scootering, skipping. There are so many things you can do!

Draw or write about what you have done to keep yourself fit.

Note for grown-ups: As your child is now beginning to show independence in their writing, we would like them to fill in and record the activities for their home learning now. For this activity they can draw or write.

Please send in your diaries when you have completed them.

