

Despite it being very cold and dark, this term in school is known as Spring term (there is no winter in education!). I love this as it gives us such hope for warmer, brighter days ahead. February half term sees us already halfway through the academic year, with all children continuing to make excellent progress.

- Reception have been busy learning about the lunar new year and are beginning to think about planting seeds.
- Year 1 have been learning about the United Kingdom, in particular London. They have also been comparing London to Brasilia to explore similarities and differences.
- Year 2 have been focusing on Africa in particular Kenya. They have learned all about the Maasai tribe in recent weeks. They have also learnt about the four different types of sentences and how to use them in their own written work.
- Year 3 and 4 have been extremely musical so far this term. They are all learning a brass instrument as part of the NMPAT (Northampton Music Trust) First Access Scheme and are busily rehearsing for their production of 'Rock Bottom' a musical about the Stone Age. We can't wait to see it!
- Year 5 have been learning about global trade and how trade routes have changed through the decades and why. They have also been learning about reversible and irreversible changes in science.
- Year 6 are gearing up for their exams in May, but there is still plenty to be done! They have been reading 'Journey to River Sea' and learning all about the Amazon rainforest. This has extended to their Design Technology work, where they have been building moving toys using cams.

2<sup>nd</sup> March is World Book Day and we are looking forward to celebrating this year with a watery theme – focusing mainly on how climate change is impacting on our oceans. Our school council has three main agendas this year: to become an eco-friendlier school; to improve the school environment and to raise money for CLIC and Water Aid charities.

We continue to go from strength to strength with many exciting opportunities ahead!

## THE BEST START FOR YOUR CHILD

If you have a primary school age child and you haven't done so already – come and see us in action. Mrs McLean's favourite thing is to show people around our small but perfectly formed school!

Spaces are filling up fast - Call Jane or Clare on 01327 830 301 to book your personal tour.

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