# Classroom Avondale News Primary School



## Summer 1

We hope you have had a lovely Easter break and are ready for the final term in year 2. We can't believe how quick this year has flown by. There are lots of great events and activities planned in for this half term including a parent drop in session where we are inviting you to come and help your child learn to sew!

## **Dates for your Diary**

Friday 25th April – PTFA Chocolate Fine Day – non-uniform •Friday 25th April – Spring Term Report Cards sent home •Friday 25th April – PTFA Easter Chocolate Bingo – Doors open at 6.30pm Monday 19th May – KS1/KS 2 Parental Drop-In Session 3:30pm-4:30pm 20<sup>th</sup> May – YEAR 2 PARENT DROP IN 2-3.15pm (DT/sewing) Friday 23rd May – School closes for half term 3:15pm

## **Friendly Reminders**

- .P.E. this half term will be on a Wednesday and a Friday
- Please ensure your child has their full PE kit in school for these days. Earrings must be removed prior to the lesson or have a plaster covering them up.
- Please continue to read 5 times with your child and please remember to sign their reading record.
- Spellings will be set on Spelling Shed every Friday for the coming week's spellings
- Please keep encouraging your child to learn their timetables through lots of games at home and the use of TT Rockstars



### What we are studying

#### Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing on multiplication and division as well as length, weight, mass and capacity. There will be challenges set on TT Rockstars to further strengthen understanding. We will also continue to practice our times tables and we will concentrate on the 2x, 3x, 5x and 10x tables.



#### English

During our English this term, we will continue to develop the children's understanding of the Year 2 grammar objectives. We will be reading Superworm by Julia Donaldson and The Hodgeheg by Dick King-Smith as our class novels. The children will be writing their own story based on Superworm but with their own characters. We will also continue to work on our handwriting joins and letter formation.



This term, our lessons are going to focus on Kenya and we will be learning about the culture, wildlife, people and climate of the country and comparing it to other places in the world. We will also make some Kenyan jewellery so keep an eye out for this coming home!

Key Vocabulary – National park, game reserve, tourist, habitat, endangered, Massi tribe.



### Science and D.T.

Our Science is focused on our topic theme of Wriggle and Crawl and we will be learning all about minibeasts and their habitats.

Key vocabulary– life processes, dead, alive, habitat, microhabitat, food chains, food sources, producer, consumer

In our D.T. lessons we will be learning how to design and make a minibeast of our own. We will learn how to use a template, design an appealing product, make the product and then evaluate it. We will learn how to thread a needle, tie a knot and use a range of different stitches.