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Dear parents/carers,

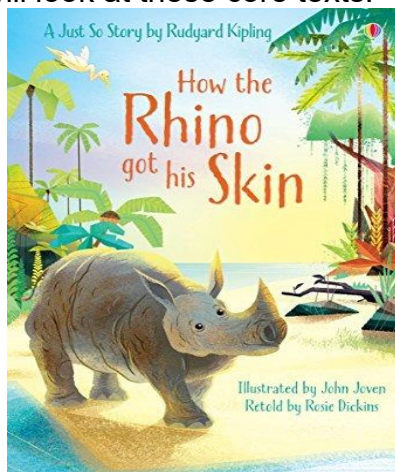
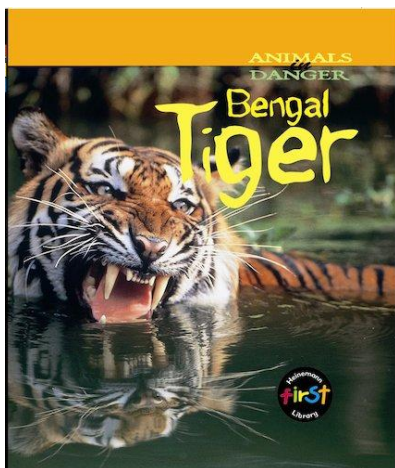
Welcome to Year 2!

This half term, our topic in Year 2 is 'Walk on the Wild Side.'

As part of this topic, we will be learning all about different animals, their habitats and the country Kenya. Our big question will be: Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold country? To help with our learning, we will take a trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park to learn more about animals! A letter with more detail about the trip will follow.



As readers and writers, we will look at these core texts:



Find a link to 'How the Rhino got his skin' here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0jtRMjp5bq>

Questions to discuss at home:

What does it mean when an animal is endangered?

Why do animals become endangered?

Vocabulary to learn: We will be using these words in our reading and writing. Could you practice these at home?

Endangered, extinct, hunted, habitat, bad tempered, species, protected, stole, manners

To immerse our children in their reading, we will be organising 'visits' from the animals we learn about. Your children might tell you all about how they caused trouble in our classroom!

Readers

Please ensure your child reads their Little Wandle book at home each week when these are sent home. They will also have their library books to read. We encourage your child to read every day, even if it is just a couple of pages. This should be signed into their reading record. Please bring their book back each Monday morning. <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Writers

Year 2 - Common Exception Words

door	floor	poor	because	find	kind	mind
behind	child	children	wild	climb	most	only
both	old	gold	cold	hold	told	every
everybody	even	great	break	steak	pretty	beautiful
after	fast	last	past	father	class	grass
pass	plant	path	bath	hour	move	prove
improve	sure	sugar	eye	could	should	would
who	whole	any	many	clothes	busy	people
water	again	half	money	Mr	Mrs	parents

In writing, we will write some information about Bengal tigers and then retell the story of How the Rhino got his Skin. We will show what we learnt in Year 1 and consolidate our knowledge on full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. We will also ensure we work on our handwriting and that we spell as accurately as possible. To support with this, it would be great if you could practice spelling common exception words at home with your child. They can also use their spelling shed log in to access more spelling practice.

Scientists

In science, we are going to be looking at food chains and classifying animals into the 5 vertebrate groups and by what they eat. We will learn about habitats around the world and the animals and plants that live in those habitats. We will think about what it means for something to be alive and think about the life processes.

Mathematicians

In maths, we will be covering a range of skills including place value and shape. To learn more about their maths, you could visit:

To learn about place value look at:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8sfr82>

You could also use hit the button:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!

Thank you!

The Year Two team