### Class Maths Challenges:

- 1. Count to 100
- 2. Count in twos to 20.
- 3. Count in fives to 50.
- 4. Count in tens to 100.
- 5. Use our fingers to find number bonds to 10.

### You can help with......

- Daily reading with your child this has a real impact on their progress.
- Weekly spellings this helps reinforce their phonics
- Your child's weekly homework.

Homework and spellings will be set every Thursday and will be due in the following Thursday.

If you wish to speak to me, I am available every morning before school or after school every day.

Please feel welcome to come in for an informal chat.

## HALF TERMLY TOPIC GUIDE BOOKLET FOR PUPILS & PARENTS Autumn 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term 2017 Class 1.



# We are going on a safari!



### This term Class 1's topic will be: 'We are going on a Safari.'

This unit of work will be based around the geography and animals of Africa.

In **Science**, we will continue learning about Animals. We will be finding out about fish and mammals. We will be looking at animals which live in Africa.

Finally we will discover what different animals eat.

In **DT** we will be exploring different materials and using our investigations to find the best materials to make a Safari Animal.

In **English**, we will be looking at Poetry and thinking about how we can use our senses to produce a poem. In addition to this, we will learn a story called Handa's Surprise and try to change parts of the story to make it our own.

The children will be learning some of our storytelling techniques so why don't you get them to show you at home!

Helpful website: www.phonicsplay.co.uk

#### Maths

We will be covering a whole range of different topics including:

- Understanding the place value of 2 digit numbers
- Recognising coins and making amounts of money.
- Doubling numbers to 10.
- Adding 1, 2 and 3 by counting on.
- Subtracting 1, 2 & 3 by counting back.
- Adding three numbers by spotting bonds to 10 or doubles.
- Recognising and describing 2D shapes.

We will be buying sweets from a shop using money, creating obstacle courses and giving directions to our partner and many more games.

The children will be applying their newly taught skills to problem solving to make their maths applicable to daily life.

Remember to supplement the work we do in school try out... "Mathletics".

Your child's password is in the back of their reading diary.

In **RE**, our topic is 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians?' We will explore the story of Jesus' birth and why Jesus is important for Christians.

We will discover how Christians help others at Christmas and look at what we can do for others.

In Geography, We are going on safari to Africa. We will join explorers as they visit Kenya and meet the people, wildlife and landscapes. We will learn where Kenya is on a map and undertake a variety of fun activities to help learn more about Kenya and compare it to the UK.