

# Year One Weekly Update



*Friday 5th April 2019*

## Messages:

We have decided for our new spelling check day to be a Thursday this means we need all book bags, homework books, spelling books and reading books in school by Wednesday.

## Maths

This week we completed lots of measuring challenges in the backroom. We used rulers and meter sticks to measure models and followed challenge cards. For example "build a tower twice as tall as your previous model or build a tower taller than 30cm but smaller than a metre."

After half term we will be starting our next block weight and volume. We will be focusing on using the correct vocabulary to describe measurement.

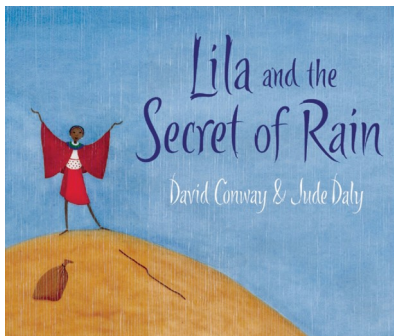
## Phonics / Spellings

This week we completed phonics and reading checks. We can now identify all phase 5 phonemes and read them in words. We have even mastered the soft g (g in magic) and soft c (c in nice). We can also read all the Year One common Exception words independently and are now learning words from the Year Two list.

After half term we will be focusing on blending sounds together in preparation for the upcoming Phonics Screening Check in June.

## English

After half term we will be starting a new book called 'Leila and the Secret of Rain' by David Conway (Do not read it!)



We will start by using our inference skills to get information from a picture. After we have gathered some information from the pictures we will start reading the story.

## Topic:

After half term we will be starting a brand new topic called 'Amazing Africa'. We will be focusing on Kenya and will be looking closely at the Massai Mara tribe. Once we are more familiar with the culture and practices of Africa, we will be comparing it to life in the UK by identifying what is similar and what is different.



## Homework:

Practice reading the words you do not know yet from the Common Exception Word Reading Check (Loose piece of paper in book bag) and learn to spell some of the words on the Common Exception Spelling Check Sheet (words not highlighted). Have a great holiday - love Miss OBrien x