

Dear Parents,

7th March 2022

What a fun week we had in Rother last week. Please look on the class page on the school website for some lovely photos of the children on World Book Day and the wonderful African animal masks they made.

This week we will continue with activities based around the book *The Leopard's Drum*. The children will be re-telling the story with the help of masks and shadow puppets. They will also be looking more into life in Africa and explore traditional African patterns.

In phonics, the children have been learning new digraphs (2 letters that make 1 sound). Last week they learned; *ar, oo, ur, or* and this week they will be learning *ow, oi* and the trigraphs *ear* and *air*.

In maths, through games and practical activities, the children will begin to develop their own 'mental number line'. They will be considering where numbers to 8 are in relation to each other.

The children will be making their own drums and instruments this week. If you have any large yoghurt pots or similar please send them in.

Best wishes,

The Rother Team