

# Dereham Church Of England Junior Academy

## Year 3 Newsletter

### Reading News

The new reading challenge has already started and it centres around building the biggest herd of animals. Curie class have taken the lead in the first week with 91% of their children reading 3 times a week, 2<sup>nd</sup> was Einstein class on 88%, 3<sup>rd</sup> were Keller class on 75% and just 1% behind were Owens Class on 74%. Keep up the excellent reading!

### Our Trip to Africa Alive!

We had an excellent trip to Africa Alive this week. Firstly, thank you all for your contributions towards the trip which meant that it could go ahead! The children had a great time and enjoyed seeing all of the different animals. The favourites were the lions, which were extremely playful this year, the meerkats who were incredibly entertaining to watch and the rhinos who were absolutely massive! The children's behaviour throughout the day was amazing and we couldn't be more proud of the way they conducted themselves with the animals. This trip is sure to inspire the children's learning, as in English they will produce a recount of the events, while in topic lessons they are all going to become mini David Attenboroughs and create a documentary using our new green screen equipment!

### Key Info

Children who are in Keller and Owens class need to have their swimming kit every Thursday.

Curie and Einstein classes will be having their P.E. lessons and will require their P.E. kit on Thursdays.

### We have a guest!

We are lucky enough to be joined in the Summer Term by Matilda! Matilda is Leopard Gecko and will be housed in Curie Class for the rest of this year. She is incredibly friendly and enjoys being out of her terrarium. All children over the next few months will have a chance to hold her if they want to. If you would like to see her, feel free to come in at the end of the day!

