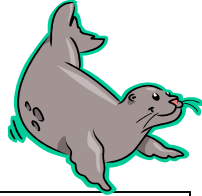




Key stage 1 Spring 2



Literacy

The children will be writing riddles about African animals. They will be listening to and writing stories involving African themes. We will be writing a postcard from an African setting.

Science

We will learn about four different animals linked to each of the main habitats in Africa. We will learn about their food chains and the children will explore and identify whether the animals are herbivores, carnivores or omnivores.

Numeracy

We will be using our place value skills and using our number facts to solve addition and subtraction problems. We will be learning to interpret simple graphs and tables. We will be also be solving problems involving money.

History / Geography

We are going to learn about the life of Nelson Mandela. We will also compare our country to South Africa and learn how things are similar and different geographically.

This term our topic is: Africa

Music

The children will continue to receive music lessons using tuned percussion instruments.

PSHE

This half term we will be thinking about our rights and responsibilities. We will also be celebrating helping others.

ICT

The children will be coding on Purple Mash.

Art

We will be learning printing techniques around a theme of Africa. We will experiment with different effects and textures to make patterns and we will create our own animal printing block.

PE

The children will have opportunities to develop key skills such as agility, balance and co-ordination. We will be receiving tennis lessons from a coach. We will also be learning an African dance.

Design Technology

We will be designing, making and evaluating Easter Cards. We will be learning to work safely with a range of tools and techniques to join and decorate materials.

RE

We have lots of activities planned to help the children understand how and why people celebrate Easter. We have a puppet show, visits from local churches and our Easter celebration at St Mary's church.

Rational:

We are going to have an African day when the children come back. We are going to learn all about African cultures, animals and geography. At the end of the topic we will present an African dance.

How can you help?

Can you go to the library and find books about Africa? Can they find Africa on a map? How many countries are there in Africa?

Reminders

Our library is open every morning from 8:35 till 8:50 so please have a look and encourage your child to take out some books.

PE is taught twice a week. They will need P.E clothes for all weather, including when it is cold. Please can all items of clothing be named.

Homework will go out on a Monday, such as hold a sentence and rhyme of the week. You will receive an email with all the homework, so please check emails on a Monday.

Homework

Please encourage your child to read for a few minutes each night and to write a comment in their reading diaries. Awards are given out during our Friday assembly for those who reach different reading milestones.

Please look out for Purple Mash games of the week in preparation for each weeks learning. Keep going with the hold a sentence and keywords.