



This half term
our topic is:
Africa

Year 2 Curriculum News - Autumn 2

English

- Research Kenya
- Plan and write a travel brochure
- Plan and write a thank you letter
- Using conjunctions to extend sentences

Supporting children at home:

- Research Kenya
- Write a thank you letter to a family member

Reading (core texts)

- Lila and the Secret of Rain by David Conway
- Selection of non-fiction books on Kenya

PSHE

- Stereotypes
- Bullying because of differences
- Celebrating our differences

Supporting children at home:

- Discuss likes and dislikes
- Discuss similarities and differences

Humanities and Arts

Geography

- Learning about the geographical features of Kenya
- Comparing a small town in Kenya to my local area in the UK
- Understanding similarities and differences between the UK and Kenya

Art, Design and Technology

- Recognise foods and their food groups
- Identify the balance of food groups in a meal
- Create and evaluate food wraps

Music

- Singing with increasing vocal control
- Improve playing techniques on untuned percussion instruments
- Developing ensemble playing skills

Supporting children at home:

- Explore a map of Africa

Religious Education

- Key Question: Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?
- How Christians prepare for Christmas
- The Christmas story

Supporting children at home:

- Discuss at home how love can be shown
- Nativity story cartoon

Science

- To understand how animals are adapted to survive in desert habitat
- To understand how animals are adapted to survive in ocean habitat
- To learn about food chains and identify these for different habitats

Supporting children at home:

- Watch a video all about food chains

Maths

- Adding and subtracting tens and ones
- Adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers
- Describing and comparing 2D and 3D shapes

Supporting children at home:

- Look for different 2D and 3D shapes around the home
- Counting forwards and backwards in tens and ones

French

- Learning about age
- Months of the year and days of the week
- Greetings and birthdays

Supporting children at home:

- Log on to Linguascope
- Search for age and number songs on YouTube

Computing

- Revisiting programing and algorithms
- To understand and output in ScratchJr
- Create original drawings in ScratchJr

Supporting children at home:

- Explore ScratchJr free app

Physical Education

- To develop fitness in agility, stamina and co-ordination
- Develop skipping
- Develop throwing and catching skills

Supporting children at home:

- Practise catching and throwing
- Go on long walks or short runs to develop stamina

Events and Enrichment

- Africa Launch Day! - 5th November
- Kenya Talk (PD) – Week 2 TBC
- 2DN Class Assembly – 26th November
- Anti-bullying Day – 15th November