

English

In English we will be covering a range of different units all linked to our topic. We will be planning, writing and now editing stories and recounts based on an African safari, describing the animals we can see.

We will also have a focus on non-fiction, working to learn about and create fact files about famous African people throughout history.

We will continue to work through our Read, Write Inc spelling rules, applying these to our writing as much as possible. This term there will be a lot of recap of previous learning to make sure that everything we have learned so far becomes more embedded in our writing.

Art and DT

In Art this term our topic will be 'Stick Transformation Project' reimagining and repurposing an everyday object.

In DT we will be building our food preparation skills and creating fruit smoothies using both common and more unusual fruits. We will then be rating each fruit to give everyone a chance to give their opinions.

Music

In music we will have our visiting Music teacher to help us learn. He will be focussing on a wide range of topics, including composing music, singing and evaluation.

Maths

We will cover a wide range of topics in Maths this term with our first focus being on **Fractions**, using objects and pictures to help us before moving onto number problems. We will then be working with **Time**, working to tell the time to 5 minutes. Throughout the term we will also be recapping our number skills, working on the four operations, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division with greater accuracy and speed.

PE

This term we will cover two topics in PE. Outdoors, we will focus on **athletics**. With the warmer weather we will be building greater control of our bodies, especially using a range of running and jumping skills. This will help us in our sports day in Summer. Additionally, we will be focussing on **sending and receiving**, again using equipment to help us. We will be building our throwing and catching skills as well as using a range of rackets to send balls.

History

As part of our topic will be learning all about **historical figures**. We will particularly look at famous faces from Africa who have had a significant impact in History. We will then look at the lessons that they taught and how we can learn from them. This will include understanding the term 'invasion' as it links to different countries in the world and we will be sensitive in looking at the historical treatment of black people and how this has changed over time.

Science

In Science we will be exploring **Materials and Plants**.

In our materials topic, we will focus on where materials come from before moving onto material suitability. Through scientific investigation, we will be testing to see which materials suit different jobs.

In our plants topic, we will be growing our very own plants, looking at what plants need to grow. Who will manage to grow the biggest plant this year?

PSHE

In PSHE this term we will be discussing the topic of **Health**. This covers many areas and we will focus on a different area each week.

This covers healthy eating, the importance of dental hygiene, sleep and screen time and personal hygiene.

This will then lead into our final topic of mental health. Understanding the importance of sharing our emotions and being able to recognise how we are feeling. We will work on strategies to manage feelings and recognising how others are feeling.

Geography

In Geography this term we will be locating different African countries before completing a comparison of an African and European country. How are they similar? How are they different?

Phonics

We follow the Read, Write Inc scheme of Phonics, Handwriting and Spelling to ensure consistency across year groups. As we work through phonics you may move onto Read, Write, Inc comprehension, where longer stories are broken down and unpicked, answering questions about what is read along the way.

RE

In Religious Education this term we will be learning about two religions and then comparing similarities and differences. We will be looking at the fundamentals of **Islam and Christianity**. How are they the same? How are they different? We will be looking into how these religions treat others as taught in their holy books as well as recognising some inspirational people in each religion.

Amazing Africa



ICT

This term we will cover three topics in ICT. First, presenting ideas, we will be using our new keyboards to begin to understand typing skills, presenting short stories. We will then be building our questioning skills online, asking questions and searching to find answers, understanding what a safe link to click on looks like and which websites may not be safe to visit. We will finish with Music Creation. Using the iPads, we will be layering instruments to create short pieces of music.