

Design and Technology

Structures -The children will design and make African huts using natural materials. Children will look at structures of different buildings around the world then focus on traditional African huts, exploring how they were made and the structures which made them strong. They will then design their huts based on their findings and create their own hut using natural materials and glue guns for joins, alongside knots for rope ladders and weaving for roofs. They will then evaluate their finished product and discuss what they could change to improve it next time, making it fit for purpose.

Making African Food

Children will learn about the different crops that grow in Africa and how that influences the food that is traditional in Africa. Children will make a range of African dishes from salads and vegetables learning how to chop, peel and assemble food. They will think about what is healthy and then reflect and evaluate once they have sampled their food.

History

Children will research the life of Nelson Mandela and the impact he has had on lives today. Children will add his story to our class time line helping them link with other events within and beyond our life time. This will help them learn about events in past history and how they have influenced the world we live in today. We will explore the topic of Apartheid and Nelson Mandela’s role in making significant change.

The Gun Powder Plot

Around Bonfire night the children will learn about why we celebrate with fireworks. They will discover who Guy Fawkes was and the events surrounding the plot to blow up the houses of Parliament.

Geography - Africa

Children will locate the continent of Africa on a map and the oceans around it. We will identify the country of Kenya on the map, its rivers, mountains and the different environments across Africa from the deserts, plains and rainforests. We will compare Kenya to our local area looking at geographical features, seasons and weather. We will use aerial photos of Kenya and our local area to recognise human and physical features.

Science - African habitats, animals and adaptation

Children will develop their understanding of African animals by investigating the animal food chain, predators and prey and identify plants and animals living in different habitats in Africa.

Children will gather and record information; suggest how an animal is able to survive in their habitat; how they have adapted to survive and answer questions about habitats they have researched. They will begin to understand how the destruction of habitats can endanger animals



**Year 2
Autumn Term
Africa**

Art

Children will learn how Africans traditionally used different materials to create tools and how these traditional skills have been turned into intricate art work in baskets and textiles.

Children will learn how to weave to create patterns in different media.

Landscape Artists- Children will look at the paintings from a range of African artists and how they have taken their inspiration from the surrounding landscapes. Looking at landscape and noticing how things are drawn in the distance and close by. Children will learn to blend colours using a range of materials including paint and pastels. They will then create their own landscape inspired by the African habitats.

Computing

E- safety - Children will learn how to stay safe on the internet, what details they should keep to themselves and being careful around photos and information they give out . They will recognise dangers and what to do in a situation where they recognise these dangers.

Save and find work - Children will learn the basic computer/laptop skills of using a mouse and trackpad, switching off the computer safely and logging on, launching applications and manipulating windows, save a file, locate files and drag objects.

PE

We shall be exploring African Dance and in gymnastic we shall learn the 6 main body shapes on a variety of equipment.

Friendship

‘Our Happy School’ Golden Rules

Mental health and emotional well-being

The children will learn about the importance of special people in their lives. They will learn about making friends and who can help with friendships. They will learn about solving problems that might arise with friendships.

Boys, girls and families - The children will learn to understand and respect the differences and similarities between people. Pupils will learn about the biological differences between male and female animals and their role in the life cycle. Pupils will learn the biological differences between male and female children. Pupils will learn that everybody needs to be cared for and ways in which they care for others. Pupils will learn about different types of family and how their home-life is special.

Music

We shall be focusing on rhymes and patterns with some drumming on the Djembes.

Religious Education

In RE we shall be thinking about:-
Who is a Muslim and how do they live?
Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

