

Year Group: Two

Term: Spring 2

Literacy

Stories from the African culture 2 weeks ('Lila and the secret of rain', 'Bringing the rain to Kapiti Plain', 'Girrafes can't dance')

Animal riddles, animal fact cards

Explanations– animals (Lions)

* Letters to children from an African school*

Maths

Fractions - Children will learn how to find fractions of shapes and numbers. Early equivalent fractions will be investigated too. Measures – children will learn to read the time in 5 minute intervals. This will link closely to the 5 times table and build on what they know about the time (hourly and half hourly intervals).

Handling Data – Children will collect and represent data in different forms e.g. block graphs, pictograms and carol diagrams. This will link closely to animal classification in science. Both Addition and Subtraction and Multiplication and Division units will be revisited in the context of money.

Science

The water cycle will be introduced in this topic. Children will study evaporation by observing and predicting.

African animals and habitats will be explored – Savannah – wild life and vegetation - sorting wild life into groups by comparing and contrasting.

Animal behaviour will be investigated, including:

African animal food chains; predator/prey relationships; animal's use of camouflage for protection; animal's use of senses for protection

Physical Education

This term will focus on athletics. Children will be putting everything that we have learnt so far into a competitive sports programme using Athletics as the theme (ie Agility, Balance & Co-Ordination together).

African Adventure



Hook for Learning

What would I see on an African Adventure?

Philosophy 4 Children

What would a fair world look like?

Is the world fair?

What is culture?

Curriculum Enrichment

Children will visit Blithfield Reservoir to experience the water cycle at first hand and its importance.

Computing

Finding Information *Espresso and Internet linked to the topic (Kenya/RPA, animals)*

Children will learn how to create and manipulate pictures using the iPad by creating an African scene using digital imagery.

Humanities

Children will learn how village life in rural Africa differs to life in Abbots Bromley (artefacts and photos) They will explore the African continent and their countries, cities and slums. Children will learn the importance of water aid.

Music

(Feel the Pulse) - Exploring pulse and rhythm (*African drums*)

Expressive Arts – Lion King – Circle of Life – Tiny Ant

Design (Art / Technology)

Children will experience African culture and express African Art in the following ways and mediums; African patterns using acrylic paint; sunset painting savannah collages.

Religious Education

Why is the church special to Sarah? Find out about how and when people worship and ask questions about why this is important to believers