

English

Explore and Engage: We will read 'Africa Amazing Africa' by Atinuke. Through this book, we will demonstrate our ability to find facts and opinions. We will use the information we find to write a poem and an informal letter.

Myths: We will read 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' by Jo Stanton. Using this text as inspiration, we will create our own short story which will take our main character on an epic adventure.

Spelling: We will be starting the year by revisiting key sounds and spelling patterns.

We will also be reading a range of rich texts that link to our topic.

Maths

We will be using the White Rose scheme for maths

Place Value: We will be working to about hundreds, tens and ones. We will move to looking at the value of digits in larger numbers and flexible regrouping. We will be rounding numbers to the nearest one, ten and hundred.

Understanding Arts and Culture

Art: We will explore art from a range of African countries. We will paint our own Tinga Tinga inspired scenes.

Music: Again, linked to our African text, we will be exploring the layers of an ancient Egyptian pharaoh's funeral march.

Inspirational Figure

This term, we will be exploring the life and work of **David Attenborough**. We will focus on his exploration of the polar regions and discover the unique geographical properties of these areas. We will also learn more about the animals who live here.

Understanding Science and Technology

Science: We will be investigating living things and their habitats through fun and practical activities. We will explore and use classification keys to help us group and identify a variety of living things in our local and wider environment. We will be creating booklets about the animals that live in our local area.

DT: We will be exploring healthy eating and seasonal produce. We will make a selection of savoury dishes.

Computing: We will be learning about networks and the internet.

Understanding the World

Geography: We will learn about water cycles, the formation of clouds and water pollution. We will explore this further during our trip to Woburn Safari Park.

RE: We will be exploring how different religions use pilgrimage as part of their devotions.

Spanish: We will be learning how to introduce ourselves and explain where we live.

Understanding our Health and Well-Being

PE: We will be continuing with our weekly swimming lessons and playing basketball.

PSHCE: We will be learning about 'Being Me in My World' and how to be good school citizens.





“Learn. Believe. Achieve.”

Our School Values: Resilient, Persistent, Self-Motivated, Risk-Takers, Creative, Good Citizens, Entrepreneurial

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! Hopefully you are as excited as we are about the adventures ahead in the new school year – so many fun activities and so much wonderful learning! It is our aim to foster a life-long love for learning in all our children and we look forward to working together with you to help them achieve their dreams. We will be learning about a great British inspirational figure: David Attenborough. His work in documentaries and conservation will be the focus of many of our topic lessons in a variety of ways. We will then explore our local environment and see how we can protect it.

Please find overleaf details about what your child will be learning in class over this half-term. Weekly homework will be set via Google Classroom and we would encourage you to please spend some time at home each week practising the spellings and times tables we are working on in class. Please also read together with your child every day as it really does make such an enormous difference to their ability to read with fluency, confidence and understanding; reading records should be in book bags daily.

Thank you and best wishes for a wonderful year of learning ahead,

Mrs Stanley, Miss McBride and Miss Fisher