

Reading

During our whole class reading lessons, we will be focusing on books linked to our topic. We will be developing our comprehension skills using VIPERS—vocabulary, inference, prediction, explain, retrieval and sequence. Using these skills we will then answer questions about what we have read in order to deepen our understanding and comprehension of the text.

Writing

This half term we will be reading 'Meerkat Mail' and will be writing a postcard and also creating a non-fiction report about Meerkats. After our trip to London Zoo, we shall then write a recount about what we saw. We will then go on to read 'Greedy Zebra' and 'Sleepy Cheetah.' Both of these stories are fables about how these animals came to be the way they look. Children will be retelling these stories and then

Science

This half term in Science, we will be finishing off our topic of 'Animals including Humans'. We will be exploring the characteristics of different animals and will be learning about their diet by making our very own animal food chains.

Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Suraiya

Teaching Staff: Eliza, Shanae and Suraiya

African Adventure



Year 2

Autumn 2 2024



Mathematics

This half term we will be continuing our learning all about addition and subtraction. During our sessions, we will be using manipulatives and recording how to solve problems. We will also be naming 2D and 3D shapes and will be exploring the properties of the shapes. Money will also be a focus as we make amounts and give change.

Geography

We will be learning about continents, countries and capital cities. We will be focusing on using atlases to locate Kenya in Africa, studying the Maasai tribe and comparing life in Kenya to life here in the UK.

PSHE

We will be learning about the importance of accepting and celebrating that everyone is different. We will be focusing on eliminating stereotypes of girls and boys, why bullying happens, how to stand up to bullies, and gender diversity.

PE

Year 2 will have PE on **Monday** and **Dance** on **Wednesday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing a PE kit on these days.

This half term we will be focusing on Gymnastics.

DT

During our DT lessons, we will be learning about healthy foods. We will have a chance to prepare some food and we will be eating it too!

Computing

This half term, Year 2 will be exploring digital photography. They will be recognising that different devices can be used to capture photographs. Then they will gain experience in capturing, editing and improving photos of their own.

Supporting Your Child's Learning

Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis: both their reading book we have sent home as well as other books. Why not have a go at completing super interactive online games? Your child has a login for SPAG.com, Times Table Rockstars and Mathletics to keep them busy.



RE

In RE, our focus this half term will be Hinduism. We will be learning all about Brahman as well as the story of Sita and Rama and the celebrations of Diwali.

Dance

This term in dance we will be using traditional and contemporary African dance to perform and create our own work. We will be learning the history of South African Gumboot dance and creating our own rhythmic dances using body parts and actions.

Music

This half term we will continue to learn how to play the recorder. We will be developing our ability to read A & B and play with good tone and correct note lengths.

Art

Year 2 are learning about Mexican artist Frida Kahlo and how she filled her self portraits with stories about her life.