

# Topic Overview

## Summer Term 1

### Science

Observing the Seasonal changes from Spring into Summer and the associated behaviours of plants and animals, including humans, especially the returning migratory birds.

Children will also be learning about animals including humans where they will identify and name a variety of animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals and those which are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

### Computing

In computing this term the children will be learning all about spreadsheets to create, organise, store, manipulate and receive digital content. They will also be learning about coding where they will understand what algorithms are, how they are implemented as programs on digital devices and that programs follow precise instructions.

### Music

In music this term the children will be lucky enough to have some Music lessons with Mrs Denniff again, where they will be learning their own song that they composed in the Spring term. They will also be learning all about melody through call and response. They will be learning two songs; the animals went in two by two and minibeasts where they will get the chance to use xylophones, glockenspiels and chime bars.

### Geography

In geography we will focus on the continent of Africa with a more in depth look at Kenya and the Masai people making comparisons to where we live.

### Homework

Please continue to support your children by reading daily at home, supporting their spelling practice and helping them to learn their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Also number bonds to 10 and then 100.

### English Focus

We shall explore stories from other cultures with a particular focus on Africa. Handa's Surprise, Masai and Me and the Anansi stories will be a stimulus for this work, which also links with our geography topic. Children will be involved in writing recounts, poems and non-chronological reports. We will look at the poetry of Joseph Coelho.

### PSHE

In PSHE this term we will be focusing on Health and well-being, looking specifically at Healthy Lifestyles and Keeping safe.

### Maths

Year 1 children will be learning all about multiplication and division as well as place value within 100.

Year 2 children will be covering fractions, length and height and position and direction.

Reception children will be looking at the topics of 'To 20 and beyond' which focusses on building numbers beyond 10, counting patterns beyond 10 and matching and rotating. They will also be looking at 'first, then, now' which focusses on adding more and taking away as well as special reasoning.

### DT

This half term children will be paper and fabric weaving linked to the tradition of West African Kente Cloth to create a card and also a school display which symbolizes the values of the school where each child will be able to create a piece of the final product.

### R.E.

In RE our focus question is 'How can we learn from sacred books?' This allows us to find out about sacred books from more than one religion. We will look at stories from the Bible, the Torah and the Quran. We will explore what a story is and why we like them. We will also consider how sacred books are used and treated and share examples of stories that are found in more than one sacred text.

### P.E. and Forest School

Monday: P.E

Thursdays: P.E

Friday: Forest School