

Year 2
Autumn term 1
UK *vs* Kenya

ENGLISH:

Our fiction class text this term is The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister, which is a wishing tale. In Poetry we will be learning how to write shape poems, and our non-fiction class text will be Dear Greenpeace by Simon James, which will use to learn how to write letters.

This term there will be a big focus on correct letter formation in handwriting to ensure that we are all ready to learn

RE: This term's RE theme is creation. We will be considering the question 'who made the world?' and learning about the story of Creation. We will read Genesis 1:1-2.3 so we can appreciate that this is the beginning of 'The Big Story' in the bible.

MUSIC:

This term in music we will be learning all about Dynamics, timbre, tempo and motifs which will be linked to the theme of animals.

We will begin the term by learning how to create a simple soundscape, then we will develop our ability to listen for basic elements of music and learn how to compare two different pieces. Towards the end of term, we will use all our new knowledge and skills to begin to create short sequences of sound and then assess our progress.



Geography:

In Geography this term we will be conducting a comparison study to explore the question, how is the United Kingdom different to Kenya?

We will find out where Kenya is, what the climate is like and research into landmarks. We will explore what it might be like to live in a Kenyan village and learn how life is changing for Kenyans. We will then compare how the landscape and wildlife in Rutland is similar and different to that of Kenya.

PE:

Our PE lessons will be on a Monday and Friday. On Monday we will be participating in lessons with Miss Britton and on Fridays with Miss Buxton. Please remember that children are now expected to come to school in their kit on their PE days.

SCIENCE: This term we will be exploring animals' need for survival, we will be learning about the classification of animal groups and their properties as well as what all animals need for survival and how these can be the same thing but can look very different and we will explore the three diet types of animals and how these can be different within the same animal groups.

We will then move on to examine humans and their basic needs for survival as well as some health and hygienic needs that we have and need to do in order to take good care of ourselves.

MATHS:

We will begin this term by revising some of the year one objectives of counting forwards and backwards, recognising tens and ones and comparing numbers to 20 and 50. We will then be looking at place value and its importance when we are working out calculations. We will be revising our knowledge of numbers to 100 in numerals and words and using a range of materials. The children will then learn to recognise the place value of two-digit numbers and presenting numbers in a place value chart and part whole model. The children will be comparing and ordering numbers and using their knowledge of place value to solve problems. We will also be revising our counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and beginning to count in steps of 3. This will then lead into the second half of the term where we will be moving onto addition and subtraction beginning with our addition and subtraction bonds to 20.

