English

This half term we will be focusing on stories about Journeys by Oliver Jeffers, building up to writing our own quest stories. We will also write instructions and setting descriptions. We will learn about stories from the African culture such as Handa's surprise. We will be using drama to help us with our writing.

Mathematics

This half term we are going to be covering division, place value to 100, statistics and measurement (length and height). We will learn about sharing and grouping to divide by 2, 5 and 10, and recap even and odd numbers. We will continue to practise partitioning numbers into tens and ones, compare and order numbers up to 100 and find 1 more/less. We will learn about tally charts, pictograms and bar charts, and will measure, compare and order different lengths and heights in both non-standard and standard measures such as cm and m.

Geography

We will go on our own safari journey to Kenya. We will use our map skills to locate Kenya and will have fun researching the country; comparing it to the UK.

Jigsaw

Our Jigsaw topic this half term is 'Dreams and Goals'. We will look at achieving goals, perseverance, team work and success.

Art and DT

In our Art lessons we will be creating different creative pieces linked to Africa and African animals. We will explore colour mixing to make an African sunset and create collages, masks and 3D models of elephants and lions. In DT we are going to design, build and evaluate our own shelters for different African animals.

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PE

Our PE topic this half term will be 'Dance'. We will work on movement patterns and perform a class dance routine.

Science

We are learning all about the human body and our five senses; touch, taste, smell, sight and hearing. We will look at the human life cycle, naming and labelling the body parts, the basic needs for survival in animals and humans, and the importance of eating the right amounts of different food types.

Music

We will use the music 'Carnival of the Animals' and focus on using our voices/bodies for sound and playing untuned instruments.

History

In history the children will be learning about famous explorers who have made significant journeys. We will cover Christopher Columbus, Neil Armstrong, Tim Peake and Captain Scott.

Computing

We will learn about how to keep ourselves safe online through our e-safety lessons. We will look at different uses of technology, what is reliable/unreliable, how to keep our personal information safe, and identify safe adults to trust with online worries.

RE

In RE this half term, we will largely focus on Christianity and continue to reflect on Christian values and how this links to our own lives. We will talk about the school theme in class reflection.

Homework

Weekly homework will be set that links with our learning each week as well as weekly spellings and reading practise.