

My Village, Your Village!

English	Children will be focusing on their story writing skills linked to traditional African tales. The writing will be based on 'How the elephant got its trunk' which they will learn as a WAGOLL. Our sentence work will focus on punctuating speech correctly and using different types of openers.
Maths	Children will continue to reinforce mental and written calculation strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, applying this knowledge to solve worded problems. They will also solve missing number problems and work on mathematical investigations. Children will carry out practical work looking at position and movement, using associated mathematical vocabulary. As well as this, they will look at measurement by practically measuring length, capacity and mass.
Science	Children will discuss and investigate the role of plants and the functions of their different parts. They will also learn the basic terms for pollination and the important role that bees play in this process.
Computing	Linked with Geography, children will use Google Earth to explore the continents. They will locate Kenya and Wythall and use Street View to navigate around the local area.
History	Not covered this half term.
Geography	Children will learn about what life is like in Kenya and compare this to their own lives, in their own cities, towns and villages. They will locate countries and key features on a map. They will also use a map of the local area to follow a route and learn about the use of a 'key'.
Physical Education	The children will continue to go swimming every week and will develop their swimming skills. To be linked to our Geography topic we will be learning about using a compass and orienteering skills.
Art and Design	During this half term, children will focus on African art. Children will design and make their own African masks using a 'papier-mâché' technique. They will also create their own Savannah sunset pictures.
Design and Technology	Not covered this half term
Music	During this half term the children will learn about African Tribal music, they will be given the opportunity to perform the songs and create a musical accompaniment, using a range of instruments. They will also be taking part in an African Drumming session. As well as this, children will continue to listen to and appraise different types of songs.
Religious Education	Not covered this half term.
PSHE	Weekly whole school assembly themes: forgiveness, determination and self-discipline. Children will also take part in circle times to discuss arising issues. They will also be developing their confidence to speak aloud during class discussions.
Spanish	Children will use songs and rhymes to learn the days of the week and the months of the year. They will create their own calendars displaying the months.

