

Class: 2		Term: HT3
<p>Art: Batik and Weaving</p> <p>We will be observing the patterns and designs of African textiles and fabrics before designing and experimenting with creating our own wax Batik designs on both paper and fabric. Then we will have a go at upcycling old plastic bags into colourful weavings to represent African landscapes.</p>	<p>Literacy: Narrative and Poetry</p> <p>This half term we will be looking at different stories set in Africa, mainly Kenya. We will be using these stories to compare the way of life in a traditional rural village specially looking at the Masai people. We will be looking at the tradition of oral storytelling and finding and comparing pattern in stories to help us learn and retell stories. Our visit to the British Museum will help with gathering research, for objects to be used in our own stories, based on the theme of gift giving as in 'Handa's Surprise' and 'Emeka's gift'. This also links to our RE topic this half term. We will develop our own poetry based on pattern and rhyme which we will work on individually and collaboratively to write, learn and perform.</p>	<p>Geography: Caring for the Environment</p> <p>We will be focusing on the 3 Rs- Recycle, Reuse, Reduce and how this can help the environment. We will explore how people affect the environment specifically looking at deforestation and its impact.</p>
<p>Music: Rhythm and Rhyme</p> <p>We will be learning to recognise the pulse/beat and tempo of a piece of music and looking at how the beat and tempo evoke different feelings. We will learn an African drumming rhythm in call and response before creating and performing our own class composition- combining layers of sound within simple structures.</p>		<p>PSHE: Going for Goals</p> <p>Through circle time discussion we will be setting goals for the term and thinking about how we can achieve them and take responsibility to improve our independent learning skills. We will celebrate our achievements and the achievements of others.</p> <p>Religious Education: Gifts</p> <p>We will be learning about the importance of gift giving and being thankful, courteous and showing respect for others.</p>
<p>PE: Dance</p> <p>We will be exploring actions and movement in response to the story of 'Handa's Surprise'- using animal movements to create a dance sequence. We will practise and perform our dances in small groups reflecting on our own and others dances.</p>	<p>Science: Habitats</p> <p>We will be learning about the habitats of African animals. We will identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants. We will learn about food chains and the relationship of predator and prey. We will conclude the half term with thinking about the threats that face so many of Africa's wild life.</p>	<p>Trips:</p> <p>Perform for Schools drama workshop- 'African Adventure': Thursday 7th January</p> <p>British Museum: Tuesday 19th January</p>