

## English

Narrative Stories from other cultures – We will be exploring African stories and thinking about different African animals.

Poetry Poems on a theme - We will be thinking about Animal poems.

Non Fiction Recounts – We will recount our Chinese New Year celebration

Facts – We will make a fact sheet based on an African Animal

Grammar – Ensuring that we use capital letters, finger spaces, full stops in all of our writing.

## Science

Animals including humans

As scientists we will be finding out how animals and humans grow. We will be identifying and grouping animals and humans, thinking about how to stay healthy and exploring life cycles and body parts.

## Geography

Africa Comparison

As geographers, we will be exploring the question: *How is Africa different to the UK?*  
We will look at world maps, globes and atlases to identify the UK and Africa. We will look at the similarities and differences of the human and physical geography of Whitley Bay and a village in Ghana.

## Maths

Number and Place Value – Recognising, ordering and formation of numbers within 100.

Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s

Measures – Money – recognising and knowing the value of coins and notes

Weight/Mass and Capacity/Volume – comparing, describing and solving practical problems

Addition and Subtraction – Adding and subtracting one and two digit numbers; exploring number bonds within 10 and 20.

## MFL: French

We will continue to develop our French vocabulary, taking part in simple conversations. We will cover family, pets and days of the week

## Music

We will use the programme 'Charanga' to listen to, sing, play, improvise and compose different styles of African music.

## PE

Gymnastic Unit D – Flight: bouncing, jumping and landing.

We will be learning to hop, spring and jump using a variety of take offs and landings.

Dance – Unit 2 – 'Handa's Surprise' and The Lion King.

We will think about selecting movements to create a dance with some structure, thinking about a variety of animal movements.

## Design and Technology

Food – cooking and nutrition

We will be preparing fruit and vegetables to make our own fruit salads and smoothies.

We will explore the story of Handa's Surprise, and use this as stimulus to design, make and evaluate our own African fruit salad.

# Amazing Animals Spring Term 1

## Art and Design

We will be exploring observational drawing of plants, people and animals. We will be investigating colour, patterns, texture, and collage. Linking to English and Science, we will be exploring animal prints and camouflage. We will use colour mixing to create African sunset pictures.

We will be looking at a range of artists, such as Picasso, and making our own Picasso mixed up face pictures.

## PSHCE

Circle time activities. SEAL's activities/themes

We will be thinking about 'icy and sunny words' and how our words and actions can affect others. We will also be discussing our worries.

We will be exploring how to keep ourselves and others safe inside and outside. Linking to science, we will be looking at living things and their needs. Internet safety – Hector's World

R.E: Belonging. - what groups do we belong to, how do religious groups welcome someone new, what does it mean to belong to a Christian group, what does it mean to belong to a religious group. We will spend a day celebrating Chinese New Year. This year it is 'The Year of the Goat'!

Faith and Diversity Day – Key Stage 1 - finding out about Islam.

## Computing

Internet research to find facts and information about animals.

E Safety – use the programme Hector's World to explore how to keep safe online.

Digital camera work – exploring common uses of technology in school; learning how to upload photos into a document.

## Visit/Visitors

Zoo Lab will be visiting us in school, bringing along a range of interesting and exotic animals! More details to follow.

