

Literacy

This term Swallows will be using our topic of Africa for many exciting pieces of work. We will be imagining that we are going on a Safari and using our skills of description to write animal descriptions and create diary pages of our journey.

We will be living a day in the life of Christopher Columbus, navigating around world maps and keeping a diary of our travels, we will also be writing newspaper reports about our discoveries.

Numeracy

This term we will be beginning to focus on money, recognizing and counting money in meaningful ways to develop this lifelong skill. We will be applying our knowledge of addition and subtraction to different situations to further improve our skills.

We will also be continuing our work on multiplication with our Rockstar scheme of work. Swallows have responded greatly to this multiplication work and will continue to make improvements in their mental maths skills. Swallows will also be utilizing our theme of Africa and our journey around the world to complete Pictograms of the animals that we could spot on our Safari adventures.

Music

This term the children will be working with a new system of music which will incorporate our voices. Looking at methods such as pitch and tempo to create a variety of sounds. This will link with our aim of teamwork and listening skills as children will be asked to form small groups to blend the sounds of their voices together.

Art/DT

This term the children will be using drawing and sculpture to create their own designs. We will be making 3D African masks. This will link with our aim of creating repeating patterns.

We will also be working together using fabrics to create a patchwork quilt with an African themed repeating pattern.

Science

This term we will be looking at identifying and classifying animals. This will link to our topic as we will be going on an imaginary Safari in Africa. We will be using our skills of description to describe the animals we might see.

We will be thinking about what animals need to survive (including ourselves) as well as ways that we can stay healthy and the healthy choices we can make.

History

This term we will be learning about some of the greatest explorers in History, looking at what they discovered and the different ways in which they travelled, linking their journeys to journeys that we make today and thinking about the similarities and differences between them. These explorers include Christopher Columbus, Neil Armstrong and Robert Falcon Scott.

PE

In PE children will be taking part in group games with coach on Fridays to improve our teamwork with invasion skills and games. Leading on from our music lessons children will also be participating in Dance lessons, moving their bodies while keeping in time with the beat of music.

Geography

This term the children will be learning all about the world, discovering key places on a world map. We will be identifying continents, countries and the equator across the globe. This includes our main focus on Africa. Linked to this we will also be thinking about the different climates around the world and the similarities and differences between the climate in England compared to the rest of the world.

RE

This term we will be focusing on Christian stories of great adventure including Noah's Ark and Jonah and the Whale. Not only will we be thinking about the details of the bible stories but we will also be thinking about the meanings behind such stories and linking them to our own lives.

'Africa Adventures'

