



Learning Overview

Primary:5/6

Room: 11

Teacher/s: Ms Robin

Literacy

Writing

This term we are focusing on writing information reports linked to our focus on Africa. We will start by looking at good examples and trying to incorporate genre specific techniques, such as using technical language, sub-headings, and including labelled diagrams in our writing. After this we will move onto imaginative writing where we will use the picture book “Handa’s Surprise” as our writing stimulus.

Reading

We will continue reading “The One and Only Ivan” by Katherine Applegate as our class novel. The Axolotls will read “The Frozen Pugs of the North” and The Narwhals will read “The Queen’s Nose”. Both groups will have a focus on skimming, scanning, and summarising the main ideas. The Pangolins and Degus will focus on a variety of fiction books and learning to read aloud fluently with expression.

Listening and Talking

We will continue with our weekly “Social Walk and Talk” sessions. Additionally, pupils will be involved in a group project based on one of “The Big 5”.

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- Visit the library and share a book, perhaps you could even research an aspect of Africa together.

Numeracy

All groups will be involved in counting on/back up to 1000. Our Decagons will be introduced to 5 digit place value, including decimal points . We will continue to focus on our tables , with a focus on the 2, 4 and 5 times table. We will continue to look at the link between division and multiplication. All groups will look at an aspect of Fractions.

Maths

All groups will look 2-D shape and 3-D objects. Specifically: -

Decagons – calculate perimeter of a regular shape / formula for area of a rectangle

Octagons/Hexagons –regular and irregular shapes

Pentagons- identifying 2-D shapes and their properties.

After this we will focus on angles, co-ordinates, directions and compass points

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Learning Across the Curriculum

Interdisciplinary Learning Context

This term we will be learning about the continent of Africa, looking at rural and city life in Kenya and comparing it to our lives in Scotland.

Wider Learning

Following on from taking part in “The Scottish Water H2O Challenge” we will be looking at The Water Cycle through hands on activities in class.

Home-School Partnerships

If anyone has experience of living or visiting the Africa and would like to share stories, photographs or visit us in class then please email office@westcoats-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk

Get in contact:

