### **Mathematics**

Before Easter we started a unit of work on Fractions which we will continue with this half term. The focus will be on finding simple fractions of quantities and numbers as we've already looked at finding fractions of shapes. The children will also be completing a unit of work around measurement, including being able to read scales and measure lengths, volumes, masses and temperature, including understanding the correct unit of measurement.

## <u>PSHE</u>

Our work this half term for PSHE will be 'Growing and Changing'. The focus will be around understanding the different names we use for various body parts and using correct names for them. We will also be discussing the importance of understanding that there are parts of their body which are private.

## PE

The children will continue to have PE on a Thursday morning. In addition to this, as outlined in our previous letter, the children will begin swimming this term on a Tuesday morning. Please ensure your children have the appropriate kit for these days.



### <u>Geography</u>

There will be a big Geography focus for this half term. We will be looking at the countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and the continents and oceans of the world. The children will be finding England and Africa on a world map. They will be comparing some key aspects of life in Africa with their lives in England. They will also be identifying some human and physical features of some key landmarks in Africa.

<u>RE</u> The children will be looking at the question, 'What is the 'good news' Christians believe Jesus brings?' They will be exploring Bible stories identifying how Jesus taught his

followers how to behave to help the Church community and their own lives.





## English

We will be reading some 'Just So' stories based around African animals initially before innovating and writing our own 'Just So' story about a different animal. We will then be reading 'The Bog Baby' and working on writing setting descriptions before writing our own versions of the story.

# <u>Art</u>

There will be a focus on patterns typically found in African art. The children will be creating some patterns of their own, creating African style masks, necklaces on paper plates and elephants made from clay.





## Science The children will

learn what plants need to stay healthy. They will have the opportunity to carry out their own investigations into what plants need to grow well. They will also closely observe the inside of a seed and learn about the life cycle of a plant. They will also learn how plants look when they don't get the things they need. The children will learn how plants have adapted to live in different environments around the world.

## Forest School

There will be no Forest School this half term.