**Literacy/ Topic Planning**

**Summer Term 2 2020 – Week 3: 15 – 19.06.20**

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| **Monday** | This week we are moving to a new continent – Africa!  Before you watch the video below, talk about what you already know about Africa or what you think of when you hear the name, ‘Africa’. If you want to you can draw or write some ideas down on a page in your topic book or folder called, ‘What I know or think about Africa’.  Watch the video using the link below:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PSYHMWmyVfo>  When you have watched the video you could try to find Africa on a globe, on Google Earth or on a world map/ in an atlas. There are lots of different countries on the continent of Africa. You can choose a particular country or you can do a project this week about all of Africa!  Write a sentence to say what you have decided to learn about this week – Africa, or a particular country in Africa (Kenya is a good one as you can learn all about safari animals)!  Next, write a few questions that you would like to find out the answers to this week. For example,   1. What is the weather like in Africa? 2. What languages are spoken in Africa? 3. Which famous people are African?   Have a think about where you are going to get your information from and what you would like to include in your project. |
| **Tuesday** | Remind yourself of the country (or whole of Africa) that you have chosen to learn about this week and find it again on a map, in an atlas, on a globe, or using Google Earth on the computer/ iPad.  Today, I would like you find out the following facts about your country and write them down as facts (like a fact file – see the example by following this link <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/countries/russia-facts/>) or as sentences with pictures or photos as you prefer.  Find out and write/ record:   * The weather * The native wildlife * The language * The food * The population   There are lots of ways to find these facts. National Geographic Kids is a great online resource, as is <https://www.kids-world-travel-guide.com/geography-facts.html> (there is a section for all/ most countries in the world)! You could also ‘ask Alexa’ if you have Alexa, use Google with a grown up to help you, or use a book such as an atlas.  Look at your questions that you thought of and wrote down yesterday. Did you answer any of them by finding out today’s facts? If not, see if you answer them tomorrow by finding out tomorrow’s facts! |
| **Wednesday** | Today I would like you to find out about the animals and natural habitats in Africa/ your chosen country in Africa. Draw pictures, cut out magazine pictures or print pictures etc… write facts about the things you have found and maybe even create a little map of where the different animals, habitats and plants etc… can be found in Africa. |
| **Thursday** | Today I would like you to find about the culture or art in Africa/ your chosen African country. You could make traditional-style jewellery or mosaics for example. |
| **Friday** | Have you answered all of your questions about your chosen country? If not, try to do so today!  If you have answered all of your questions and have found out lots of interesting facts each day perhaps today you could  \* explore something you found particularly interesting  \* design a poster to make people want to visit the country that you have chosen. You could include pictures of interesting buildings or places, pictures of the food and something to show what the weather is like as well as the name of the country in bold, eye-catching colours!  \* write a postcard as though you are there  \* plan your themed night and get cooking!  \* make a little video to tell me all about the country that you have chosen and why you want to go/ why I should go!  As a treat, perhaps you can watch ‘The Lion King’! |