### English

**Stories:** Year 3 will be focusing on the well-known story of The Lion King and re-telling different scenes. We will be improving our choice of vocabulary through our use of adjectives and verbs. The children will also describe the scenery of the African landscape and main characters from the film as we work on the use of conjunctions and sentence structure.

**Fables:** Our learning will focus on the morals of different African fables, with the aim of creating our own. We will have a particular focus on speech and the correct use of punctuation involved, including inverted commas.

**Diary entry:** In addition, we will write a diary entry recounting life on the savanna. Children will take part in role play and class discussions in order to develop their speaking and listening skills.

### Maths

In Maths this term the children will be building on their understanding of multiplication and division using mental methods before progressing onto formal written methods. Children will be developing their addition and subtraction skills by learning how to add and subtract units of money to give change using both £ and p. They will develop their knowledge of statistics through interpreting and presenting data using bar charts, pictograms and tables.

### History / Geography

This half term will mainly focus on Geography, with children learning about the location of Africa and identifying famous landmarks within the country. We will compare the urban and rural life of people within an African tribe with the lifestyles of residents of the U.K.

### Important Information

**Spellings:** set on Friday and tested on Friday.

**Reading Books:** changed on Monday and Wednesday.

**Reading Homework:** set on Friday and is to be returned no later than Wednesday of the following week. Bug Club: to complete one book per week.

**Mathletics:** set on Friday weekly.

### Science

In Science, we will continue our learning about rocks and fossils. We will be exploring different rock types and classifying them in relation to their properties. We will be recognising that soils are made from rocks and organic matter. Children will be planning, preparing and conducting investigations which will involve using observational skills.

### PE

**Hockey on a Monday outdoors.**

**Gymnastics on a Thursday indoors.**

### Computing

Year 3 will become presenters this half term. They will shoot, edit and evaluate their own videos based on our topic Africa. The children will be using a range of software to record, rehearse and produce a presentation incorporating sound, images and special effects.

### Art / Design Technology

This half term, children will practice their sewing skills by creating an animal puppet. Using painting programs, the children will edit an existing piece of work by adding various effects such as textures and colours. In addition, children will experiment with block printing as they create their own African patterns.

### Music

This half term we will introduce the children to the language of music through playing the glockenspiel. The learning will be focused around exploring and developing playing skills on this instrument.

### RE/PSHE

In PSHE our unit is ‘Going for Goals’ where we will explore individuals own worth, identifying mistakes, making amends and setting personal goals.

In RE, our unit is choices and being fair and just. We will be learning about the reality of prejudice and explore the concept of fairness in different religions.