



Frog Class



Africa Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to the first newsletter from Frog Class, we will be using this to let you know what is happening in class on a regular basis. In the Frog Class team are Mr. Gregg (teacher), and three classroom assistants (Miss. Bell, Mrs. Currien and Miss. O'Connell). The children will work with all four members of staff throughout each day. Our aim for the children throughout this year is to make them into independent and confident learners.

Our learning for this half term is centred on Africa, we will be looking at some of the plants and animals that live there. To enhance the children's learning we will have an animal expert bringing some friends into school and also visiting Twycross Zoo as part of our studies.

Geography

We will be finding out where Africa is in the world and about the major climatic zones in Africa. Rain forest jungles, deserts and the savannah. We will be planning our own safari!

Science

In our science work we will focus on the plants and animals in Africa. We will find out where they live and how they are adapted to their environment.

English

We will be looking at stories using African animals and recreating and extending them through drama and role play.

We will also be looking at the traditional West African Anansi the spider stories.

Creative curriculum

We will be learning and performing a dance based on movements from the Maasai tribe (PE kit on Mondays too please!).

We will use collage to recreate animal print patterns, sand art, making a model Maasai village and traditional bead necklaces.

Home Learning Possibilities

Finding images of and information about different animals; drawing their own pictures of African animals; moving and sounding like different animals; making models of jungles or savannahs. Any work they produce at home will be shared and celebrated!