# Dear Parents and Carers.

ACK HISTORY

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Firstly, we want to say thank you for all of your hard work and support throughout home-schooling. It was amazing to see children returning with handfuls of learning materials which they had produced. Well done to them, and to you! We are now back in the 'swing of things' and excited to start afresh this term.

Our topic is 'Africa' this term, and through this we will explore a whole range of topic-based learning linked to areas across the curriculum.



# English

Our class texts are 'Jungle Book' and 'Simba and Saba'. This will also be supplemented with books around the Little Leaders series focusing on significant Black figures. Through these texts and links to our topic, we will study biographies, story writing around different cultures, poetry and persuasion linked to Fairtrade. Every child will continue to be heard reading, either individually or as part of whole class guided reading sessions.

#### Maths

In Maths this term, we will revisit and continue with the unit on Fractions. We will also be covering our second unit of Decimals and hoping to cover most aspects of the Geometry and Measures units. We will be aided in using the Power Maths resources to cover these units, alongside parts of White Rose Maths and Fluent in Five - to keep up with daily Arithmetic Practise. Additionally, we encourage the children to use TT Rockstars and Doodle Maths as much as possible to keep skills sharp and fresh.

# Science

For Science this term, we will continue to cover Properties and Changes of Materials – involving lots of practical experiments and investigations. Later in the term, we will explore 'Life Cycles' in both plants and animals, including reproduction and human puberty.

# Topic

Our topic work this term will be based on 'Africa as a continent'. We will look at, and compare different countries within Africa. This will include exploring the physical and human characteristics - their culture, food, transport and lots more. We hope to have significant links with our link school in Ghana and learn, first hand, what is it like to live in Africa.

# Art and D.T.



As part of our

work on Africa, we will be designing and creating African clay pots–focusing on key clay skills as part of this unit. We will also be experimenting with some of the skills and techniques which African girls are taught such as weaving and sewing. As well as creating African masks and learning about their tribal

importance.

### R.E.

In R.E. this term we will explore Islam and Muslim beliefs about Allah. Children will have the chance to understand the importance of Ramadan and make links to our Ghanaian link school.

Please feel free contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding home learning through Class Dojo and we will reply as promptly as possible (Mon-Wed Mrs Pinsent and Thurs-Fri Miss Major).

# Reminders:

- 1 PE Kits everyday (if sent home in it, it needs to come back the next day)- all items named please!
- 2 Water bottles in-school everyday
- 3 Hat for the sunny days

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Pinsent and Miss Major