

English:

We will be learning the creation story from the Kingdom of Benin. The children will learn the story and then write it out in their own words ready to perform to another class. We will again be focusing on using all our spelling, punctuation and vocabulary skills alongside performance skills.

We will produce non-chronological reports about our own dragon after researching popular beliefs about dragons during the time of the Kingdom of Benin. We will improve our vocabulary, grammar and punctuation skills in the unit and also focus on structure and layout of text.

PE:

We will be following a netball unit during our outdoor lessons. We will be doing gymnastics during our indoors lessons.

Science:

We will be:

- Learning to name the vital organs of the body and be able to locate them.
- Learning about the function of the heart, lungs and blood.
- Learning about the effect of exercise on the body.

Music:

- Continuing with our skills on the steel pans in school
- We will also be learning about street dance performances and exploring rhythmical rhyme and learning songs with instrumental accompaniments.

Computing:

We will explore the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch through finding out what variables are and relate them to real-world examples of values that can be set and changed.

Art & Design:

We will take inspiration from art from the Kingdom of Benin and will be working with clay to create Benin clay heads, inspired by traditional artwork.

Humanities:

We will locate the ancient Kingdom of Benin and key cities on a map using atlases (paper and online) to help us.

We will be learning about the ancient Kingdom of Benin – its people, beliefs and culture. We will use artefacts to help us understand more about ancient Benin. We will use historical enquiry skills to ask and answer questions.

Maths:

We will learn about fractions, decimals and percentages:

- Using ratio and proportion
- Forming expressions and equations as well as solving multi step equations in algebra
- Multiplying and dividing decimals

Spanish

We will be learning how to talk about:

- The different features of a town.
- How to move around town.
- How to guide someone around town.

RE:

We will be learning about Sikh beliefs in RE this term. We will recap our knowledge from last year and extend it by learning about Guru Nanak and the Guru Granth Sahib. We will also compare religions, noting similarities and differences between Sikhism and other religions

Personal, Health, Social and Citizenship:

Our Jigsaw unit is focused around dreams and goals and setting aspirations for ourselves.



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Ancient Africa

To make this topic even more relevant, and ensure the knowledge sticks, the children will:

- *Visit the Horniman museum to partake in a workshop exploring ancient African artefacts from both Benin and other regions*
- *Take part in a workshop about the human body at the Science Museum*