

Year 2 Spring 1: Africa and Zambia

How does the geography of Mugurameno compare to where I live?



This half term we will be comparing where we live with a contrasting country. We will explore the physical and human features of Zambia. Then focussing on the village of Mugurameno we will investigate the similarities and differences around housing, food, nature and daily life to ours in Newton Popleford.

Significant Individuals



Nelson Mandela



Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

Main enquiry questions

Where is Zambia and what are its physical and human features?

Where is the village of Mugurameno?

How is the river used in Mugurameno?

How do people live in Mugurameno?

How is life in Mugurameno the same and how is it different to life in Newton Popleford?

Key Concepts

The following are the key concepts for this unit:

Place	Location
Scale	Interaction
Environment	Diversity

English Texts

This term in English we will be studying the following texts:

The Journey Home By Frann Preston-Gannon

Goldilocks—Lauren Child

Maths learning

This term in Maths we will be studying:

Money, Multiplication and division









Here are the home learning links: Just click on the relevant area to access the videos: <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning?year=year-2-new>

Historical links	Science	Art	PE	Music	RE	Computing	PSHE
Exploring significant individuals in African history.	Animals including humans	Exploring the world through Mono-Print	Dance Outdoor Adventurous Activities in Adventure Island	'I wanna play in a band ' Learning to sing, play, improvise and compose as well as listen and appraise classic Rock	Who is a Muslim and how do they live?	Programming a Robot algorithms	Health and wellbeing continued. Safety and the changing body.

Our Curriculum Elements for this half term.



Trips, activities and or visits this term:
African drumming workshop
Clive Pig storytelling

Learning Hook		A Zambian safari virtual field trip
Fieldwork and living history.		African drumming workshop including movement and singing, and story based activities that will lead us into the drumming.
Written outcome		Comparing a day in the life of a child in Mugurameno and Newton Popleford.
Creative Outcome		Mono print the Savannah!
Adventure (Activities in Adventure Island)		Outdoor adventurous activities in Adventure Island enriching our Science and Art learning.
Play Project		Play project with an African twist.
Celebration		A day to celebrate our learning from the half term.
Retrieval Practice		What is Zambia like? What are the similarities and differences between Zambia and the UK?



Learning & growing together,
taking every opportunity.

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Curriculum Overview: Year 2 Spring 1:

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Spellings for the half term

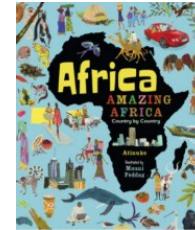
This half term we will be focusing on the Year 2 Common Exception Words (CEWs). We focus on a small amount of words from the list each week in class alongside our spelling programme —Jungle Club. This focuses on a spelling rule each week.

Suggested Texts to read at home with your children :

KEY TEXT

Africa, Amazing Africa: Country by Country

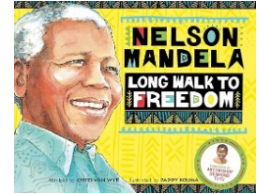
Atinuke & Mouni Feddag



This non-fiction book is British-Nigerian storyteller Atinuke's personal love letter to the African continent, and its 55 countries in all their variety. It divides Africa into five sections: South, East, West, Central and North, each with its own introduction. This is followed by a page per country, containing a delightful mix of friendly, informative text and colourful illustrations.

Long Walk to Freedom

Chris Van Wyk,
Nelson Mandela &
Paddy Bouma



Long Walk to Freedom by Nelson Mandela introduces children to the life of one of the world's most beloved leaders. The amazing story of a true hero of our times; his famous biography has been specially adapted for children in a beautiful illustrated picture book format. Discover how a little boy whose father called him "troublemaker" grew up to fight apartheid, become South Africa's first black president and campaign for freedom and justice throughout the world.

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Recap on spellings from Autumn 2	parents little apple terrible level tunnel	father past fast last April final wasn't/isn't	what pretty every everybody hurried happiest what's	any many busy does cries tried doesn't	could would should couldn't wouldn't shouldn't getting