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English	The children will begin by focusing on newspaper reports. We will look at the features of a newspaper report to help us understand their structure and layout. We will also be linking our own newspaper reports to our Big Reading book by writing them about a main event from our book in which the lion joins the circus. Our diaries will focus on catching the reader's attention with bold headlines and information. We will then move on to looking at stories from other cultures and will create our own story similar to The Butterfly Lion. We will look at using a range of sentence starters to ensure our stories are interesting and we will also include direct speech. Finally, we will end the term with poetry in which we will look closely at poetry linked to war which is a theme within our Big Reading book. We will focus closely on the features of poems and the meaning behind them and then we will write our own using homophones.
Numeracy	During this term the children will be begin by focusing on
Trumeracy	measurement. The children will explore different units of measure, looking at both adding and subtracting money and comparing different units and lengths. To finish measurement we will look at telling and writing the time from an analogue clock. Also, we will even look at identifying Roman numerals on 12 and 24 hour clocks. Then, we will look at statistics and geometry. We will look closely at shapes including both 2D and 3D by drawing them as well as making models. Along with this, we will Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables. Finally, we will look at representing angles by looking at what is more and less than a right angle.
PHSE	This term the children will be focusing on 'Relationships and Changing
	me'. The children will think about different types of relationships that they have such as family and friends. They will also look at how to create relationships by being kind and helping others. Along with this, the children will look at how they can make improvements within school and their lives so that they can be their best selves. The children will take part in practical lessons and class discussions to help them learn and to show them how they can create relationships and make good changes.
Geography	In geography we will look at the children's locational knowledge which will be linked to our current topic Africa. The children will look at different locations around the world and will begin to identify these on maps. Along with this, the children will look at naming and comparing different cities within the United Kingdom. They will progress by comparing different locations based on their human and physical features such as rivers and hills. To finish the term, the children will focus on the trade links of certain countries and they will focus on their economic activity. We will look at different countries natural resources such as energy and food.

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Computing	In ICT lessons the children will be learning how to research using age	
	appropriate search engines. They will be taught how to scan and read	
	for information. Along with this, the children will focus on using different	
	documents including PowerPoint and Word. They will explore the	
	features of PowerPoint and will look at how to add in their own pictures	
	and words to make their own presentation.	
Art	The children will be looking at painting. We look at different techniques	
	for both of these to create a picture of an African Savanna. We will look	
	at different brush techniques by using thin and thick brushes to create	
	different backgrounds and settings. We will also look at using different	
	shades to create sunsets. Along with this, the children will create	
	silhouettes in the form of animals to display on their background and	
	once we have explored a range of different techniques the children will	
	apply these skills to their final piece.	
PE	We are delighted to offer the children the experience of working with a	
	PE coach in their PE lessons this term. The year 3 children will be	
	taking part in netball lessons during this term. The children will be	
	practicing ball and team skills by looking at a range of different passes	
	including, bounce pass, shoulder pass and chest pass. Along with this,	
	the children will take part in team activities and netball games to help	
	them work on their team building and communication skills.	
Music	During this term the year 3 children will be working from the 'Charanga	
	Scheme' to focus on their rhythm and singing. The children will look at	
	the beat of different types of music. They will also look at different	
	types of music, allowing them to see the difference in rhythm and pace.	
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