



Year 1 Summer 2 - Eco Warriors

Topic Overview

This half term, we will be looking at the Geography of Njua, a village in The Gambia. Children will be writing finding tales, creating, and exploring print patterns within traditional African clothing and expanding their knowledge of geographical features in the wider world. Children will also be learning about plastic pollution around the world through our core text "One Plastic Bag" and creating persuasive writing pieces to become Eco Warriors!

Big Bang Day!

Children can dress up in traditional African clothing, or in the colours of the flag of The Gambia (red, blue, green).

Educational visitors:

Visit from an employee of a recycling plant - tbc

Our Learning Overview

Eco Warriors

English

In writing, children will be using the Talk for Writing scheme to create our own finding tales, based on the core text "Charlie and Lola - Look After Your Planet". Children will use their prior knowledge of Talk for Writing to create their piece. They will also engage with non-fictional persuasive writing, linking to our topic of being economically responsible.

Maths

In maths, children will be consolidating their number knowledge up to 100. We will explore one more and one less than a given number. We will also be exploring the money of the UK. We will then learn about how to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour.

Science

In science, children will be expanding their knowledge of plants and the seasons. Children will be using their prior knowledge of seasonal change to identify new plants, make observations and recordings of weather changes and patterns, and produce scientific drawings. Children will also engage in activities recapping all topics learnt during the academic year.

Geography

In geography, the children will be expanding their knowledge of the local area and the continents of the world. Children will make a geography specific comparison of the physical and human geography of Njua, a village in The Gambia where the core text for this unit is based, and the local area of Northumberland Heath. Children will also expand their knowledge of plastic pollution, identifying the impact on the wider environment.

Art

In art, children will be exploring printing. Children will identify and create patterns using a range of printing methods, focusing specifically on block printing. The children will be inspired by their topic and core text.

RE

In RE, children will be studying Christianity, focusing on what it means to belong to a faith community.

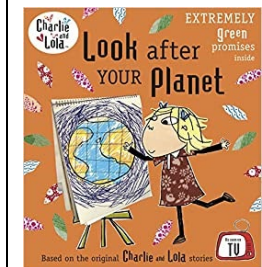
Phonics

In Phonics, children will be continuing to learn our phase 5 sounds. We will be focusing on blending and reading words with split digraphs and looking at alternate graphemes.

Key Texts



Charlie and Lola -
Look After Your
Planet



The Adventures of
a Plastic Bottle

