

# Topic

This half term we are learning about Africa! We will be learning about African animals, climate, location and important historical figures. Below are a list of things you can do at home:

- Research an African country and present in any way you like (Power points, pictures, reports, video etc...)
- Cook African food
- Write a biography about a historical figure
- Produce a model of an African landmark

In Science, we will be studying Living Things and their habitats. We will understand the 7 characteristics of living things and explore animals we might find in our local environment and animals we definitely would not find locally. We will also begin to understand that living things can be grouped and classified in a variety of different ways. You could:

- Make a fact file about an animal
- Write a quiz to share with the class
- Sketch and label an animal and its habitat



## Reminders!

Please keep your P.E. kit at school all week – sometimes we do P.E. on different days. Your swimming kit is needed on Fridays. Please bring a coat and water bottle every day.

# A little book of things to work on at home

Year 4



Name.....

# Mathematics

In Maths this half term we will be learning about place value before moving onto addition and subtraction. Children will explore these concepts with concrete resources before using formal written methods. We will then move on to learning about measurement including perimeter and length.

Children will consolidate their learning through the completion of daily calculations. This will be an opportunity for children to practise and review different strategies for solving problems involving the four operations.

There will be a real focus on children learning their times tables up to 12x12 this year. Please encourage children to practise these as often as they can.

## Homework

Our learning in class will be supported by TT Rockstars and My Maths homework every week. Please encourage your child to complete their homework.



# English

In English this half term we will be looking at stories from other cultures. At home you may want to read or listen to stories from other cultures. Look at the differing styles of stories and the language used.

We will be doing lots of work organising information into paragraphs. See the link below as a helpful resource.  
<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/pdfs/parag3.pdf>

We will also be focusing on using a wider range of conjunctions effectively, both in the middle and at the start of sentences. The website link below is a great introduction to conjunctions for children and parents:  
<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-is-a-conjunction>

Class learning will be supported by Spelling Shed homework every week. Please encourage your child to complete their homework.

## Reading

Try to read for pleasure as regularly as you can. If you have read a book that you have really enjoyed, you could write a book recommendation for your friends that can be kept in our book area.

