

# Kenya & Mexico

In Topic this term, KS1 are exploring the countries of Kenya and Mexico. We will be finding out about the landscape, climate and culture of both these countries. We will be writing letters and drawing pictures for our pen-pals in the Good News Academy in Kenya.

In Maths Lime class will begin by partitioning, ordering and comparing numbers. We will be learning to add and subtract numbers. In Cherry and Pear we will be sorting using different criteria, practising number formation and looking at place value in numbers up to 20. You can help at home by practising 'quick number facts' with your child e.g. number bonds to 10 or counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

In Science, Cherry and Pear classes will begin by looking at Ourselves focusing on our bodies and our senses. Lime Class will be learning about animals including humans. After half term, Pear will be learning about caring for pets and other living creatures, while Cherry and Lime will be learning about living things and their habitats.

In P.E. both the Year 1s and 2s will be developing their games skills and learning how to keep fit and healthy. This term, some Year 2s will be going swimming, the remaining Year 2s and Cherry will be taught by Mrs Barfoot on Thursday afternoons.

This term in Computing, we are learning some basic skills and how to stay safe on the internet. Lime and Cherry class will also be learning a little bit about gaming algorithms. Pear Class will be further developing their computing skills through a variety of applications.

In English we will be composing a number of text types. We will be retelling and writing stories from other cultures. After half term we will be writing instructions. In Cherry and Pear we will be improving and expanding our phonetic knowledge and learning basic spelling, grammar and punctuation. Lime class will be focussing on spelling rules, punctuation and grammar.

Our school values this term are Creativity and Peace. In R.E. we will be looking at Creation and Incarnation. In P.S.H.E. we will learn about how our responsibilities change as we get older and, later in the term, we will think about how to treat the people around us.

In Music we are going to feel the pulse looking at beat, rhythm and composing our own music. In Art we are learning about tones and colour mixing.

