



Chestnut Class

Creative Curriculum

Information and Ideas for Parents and
Carers



This term our theme is:

All About Africa

We will be learning about...

What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in Western
Africa?

Life in Africa by researching Non-Fiction texts

What could be done with a small loan?
Daily life in an African village through creating diaries Africa through maps,

Studying regions and countries of these regions.

The lives of different children in different parts of Africa.
The position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn,

Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night).

Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle.

Benin Empire 900-1897 with comparisons to Neolithic man into Bronze Age.

Benin's people, structures, food, clothes, army, rulers.

We will link our topic with many of our lessons including English, Maths, Computing and Art.

In Art we will paint pictures and construct our own version of an African mask, explaining its use and create sunset and silhouette pictures of African landscapes.

Talk about.....

- Where Africa is - which hemisphere is it in?
- Africa's climate and the similarities and differences to Britain's climate
 - . What flora and fauna there is in Africa
- Find out if anyone in your family or friends have been to Africa.
 - How far away Africa is from the UK.
- How life in Africa is different but also similar to life in the UK

Things to do...

Try drawing in the style of Edward Saidi Tingatinga.

Look at an atlas to find out how many different countries make up Africa.

From your house, try walking (with an adult) to buy some groceries, and carrying them all back.

Look in the supermarket for African products. Are there many?

Can you grow your own plant from a seed at home?

Key Words

Find out what these words mean:

Cosi cosi iyaphela

Tribe

Calabash

Loan

Township

Scholarship

Useful Websites

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/worldhistory/benin_bronze/

<https://www.britannica.com/place/Benin-historical-kingdom-West-Africa>