

In Science we will be learning about animals and their habitats.

**Key words:**

living

dead

never-alive

habitats

food

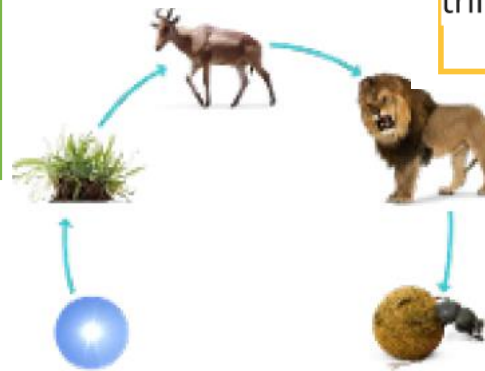
food chain

micro-habitats

**Challenge:**

Can you find any habitats in your garden or local area?

We will also be looking at African animals linked to our topic.



**A habitat**-the home of an animal or plant

**Micro habitat**-a small specialized habitat within a larger habitat

**Food Chain**- the order in which organisms, or living things, depend on each other for food.

**Key questions:**

1. Why is it called the Maasia Mara?
2. What is the great Migration?
3. What are the different types of habitat in Africa?
4. Why was Nelson Mandela famous?
5. What are the different types of habitats?
6. Who was Nelson Mandela and why was he famous?



We will also be learning about Nelson Mandela and his contributions to life today.

**Challenge:**

Can you find out why he was famous?

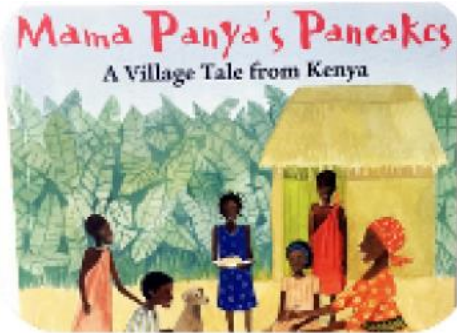
**Places to visit:**

Dudley zoo and castle, West Midlands Safari Park-you can find out where Africa is and see some of the animals you might find there.

You could visit your local park to look for habitats.



# MAASAI WARRIORS



In English we will be reading a range of texts related to our Topic. Here are a couple of texts which will supplement the work we are doing in school which your child may enjoy reading.

- Bringing the rain to the Kapiti plain
- Mama Panya's pancakes

In Geography we will be learning about the Maasai Mara tribe. We will be looking at their way of life and how it is similar and different to our own.



## Facts:

- Maasai Mara National Reserve is a National Park in Kenya, East Africa.

## Challenge:

The story of Bringing the rain to Kapiti Plain is based on the tradition nursery rhyme "**The House That Jack Built.**" Can you find the nursery rhyme?

## Vocabulary

**Maasai**- a member of a pastoral people living in Kenya  
**Tribe**-a community of people  
**Serengeti**- a geographical region in Africa  
**Savannah**- a grassy plain in tropical and sub-tropical regions with few trees

- It was established in 1948 as a wildlife sanctuary, and has been made larger since then.
- Maasai Mara is a game reserve type of park, meant to protect the animals on the savannah of the Serengeti.
- It is named after the Maasai people, who are the traditional people of the area.

## The Great Migration

- It is famous for its exceptional population of large mammals. Huge numbers of herbivores migrate each year, followed by the big cats.