

## Science

In science we will be identifying and naming a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. We will be describing and comparing the structure of these animals by making observations, classifying and sorting them into groups. We will be naming and comparing common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores by looking at what they eat and we will be exploring the different habitats animals can live in around the world.

We will also look at the season of Winter.

## Art and Design

We will be drawing animal patterns in different ways using pencil, pastels and paints. We will use the skills of dabbing, printing and collage making. We will look at the artists Henri Rousseau and George Seurat.

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This half term's topic is all about animals!



This half term we will be having fun learning about a variety of animals. Mrs Carlton's dog, Monty will be visiting class to allow children the opportunity to learn all about caring for animals. We will be discussing the pets the children have at home and learn how to clean, feed, groom and play with pets in order to keep them happy and healthy.

The children will also have the opportunity to learn about wild animals and the countries around the world that they originate from.

## Design and Technology

This half term we will be looking at healthy snacks and using the story 'The Tiger who came to Tea' by Judith Kerr to design and create our own healthy snacks.

## Geography

This half term we will be exploring and identifying different continents on a world map. We will use the map to plot where different animals live. We will be exploring and discussing the similarities and differences of habitats around the world. We will be designing and drawing a wildlife park using symbols and a key.

## Computing

Our topic this half term is Programming-moving a robot. Children will be introduced to early programming concepts. They will program each other and a toy robot- beebot. Children will be introduced to algorithms.

In addition to the above, we will also continue to look at e-safety.

## Phonics

This term phonics will continue to be our focus when reading.

The children will continue to work through Read, Write Inc to help with their phonological understanding.

We will be focussing on more complex letter sounds and learning how to blend these together to decode words.

## English

This term we will be looking at non-fiction books about animals and using labels. We will be continuing to focus on sentence structure, using adjectives, conjunctions and time connectives. We will be reading the Snow Queen and writing a retell of the story. We will then focus on 'Tiger who came to tea' by Judith Kerr and write our adapted versions of the story. We will be learning about the past tense and adding suffixes such as 'er' to root words.

We will also be reading riddle poems and reading, writing and performing our own.

## Maths

This term we will continue to follow the Year 1 curriculum, using the White Rose Maths scheme of work. The focus this term will be place value within 20, addition, and subtraction within 20. We will be consolidating counting in groups of 10 and introducing counting in groups of 5.

## PHSE

We will continue to work through the 3D RSE scheme. This half term we will be focusing on the concepts of Anti-bullying, kindness and using friendly behaviour.

## R.E

This half term we will begin to look at Islam and what it means to belong to this religion.

## Reading books and homework

Please continue to read regularly at home with your child. It is important that you listen to your child read at least 3 times a week. Listening to your child read for just 10-15 minutes a day can make huge improvements to both their reading and their writing. Please record your child's reading in their reading record.

We will continue to send out weekly spellings on Spelling Shed for your child to practise ready for their spelling quiz every Thursday.

Homework will continue to be on Seesaw every Friday. Please complete and upload ready to share in class.

**SEESAW**- we would love to see any photos or videos of your pets with a little description all about them.

