

Carnival of Animals with Class 1



Maths

This half term in maths we will be focusing on addition and subtraction to numbers within 20. We will be



practising partitioning numbers using part-whole models and using a variety of methods to add and subtract.

Children in Reception will continue to learn in depth about numbers to 10. We will also be exploring 2D shapes, ordering and sequencing and recognising coins.

Geography

This half term children will be learning about warm and cold countries around the world and which animals live in those countries.



Science

Children will be learning to identify and name a variety of animal types including; fish, birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians. We will also be investigating carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.



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Reception: Where do we belong?

Children will explore when the special times are for our communities.

Year 1: What do people say about God?

The children will be exploring Christianity, and how some people feel or behave when they believe in God.

English

This half term our focus texts will be looking at stories by the same author, Julia Donaldson.

Children will begin to explore the structure of stories through role-play and retelling. We will look at the language and vocabulary the author has chosen to use and use these in our own writing. We will be planning and writing our own innovated stories based on some of Julia Donaldson's books. Towards the end of the term we will also be writing information booklets.



Phonics

Children will have daily phonics lessons in class in which they will learn new sounds and spelling rules. We will practise reading and writing them through games, songs and activities and children are encouraged to apply their learning in written work in class through the use of sound mats.



Reading

Children will bring reading books home which they will have the opportunity to change:

Reception, twice weekly - Monday and Wednesday. Year 1, Three times weekly - Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

In class we will aim to read one to one with children at least once a week. As well as this, reading will also be incorporated into our other lessons across the curriculum.



<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Art</u></p> <p>In our art lessons we are going to plan and create 3D structures and models out of cardboard. Later in the term we will be making animal models out of clay.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Handwriting</u></p> <p>We will practise handwriting in specific lessons and discretely through other areas of the curriculum.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Music</u></p> <p>As well as learning a variety of songs through other areas of the curriculum to aid our learning, the children will begin to listen with concentration and begin to understand a range of music.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PE</u></p> <p>Our PE lessons will be on Tuesday afternoons. This half term will be Athletics. Please ensure children have their PE kits in school.</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PSHE</u></p> <p>Too much Selfie isn't Healthy. We will be exploring the importance of others and how to treat them well.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Computing</u></p> <p>Children will learn about digital literacy. Children will begin to talk about websites they have been on, word process a sort text and combine with some images.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>How you can help at home</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading at home with your child can really help their confidence when reading aloud. Whether it be their reading book from school, books or magazines around the home or helping read a recipe when cooking, every little helps! Reading to your child can also help develop their comprehension and enjoyment of reading. You can discuss the stories, what they think might happen next, link events to personal experiences and talk about their favourite characters. • Spellings will be brought home weekly every Friday and children will be tested on them the following Friday. The words sent home will be linked to those learnt in phonics lessons the previous week. • Homework is an opportunity for children to share the skills and knowledge they have learnt in school with you at home and to practise their skills. The tasks will be in a 'Pick 'N' Mix' format and relate to our topic. The red tasks should be completed weekly and children should choose 5 of the green tasks to complete over the half term. Any completed homework can be brought in on Fridays and we will share it in class. • Children will be given their own log in information (stuck in back of reading record) for Mathletics and Spelling Shed which they can access at home. These websites will have a variety of set tasks for children to complete. Other useful websites: www.teachyourmonstertoread.com www.phonicsplay.com www.phonicsbloom.com www.topmarks.co.uk www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize 	