

Overview: Our topic this term is 'Animals Near and Far.'

The children will be learning about different animals and their habitats. We will be reading: Dear Zoo, A Squash and a Squeeze and Handa's Surprise.

Reading

The children will continue to take part in phonics lessons in class. Please continue to read with your child and encourage them to 'FredTalk' different words. This half term the children will be recapping sequencing a story, similarities and difference in characters and using their phonic knowledge more and will be encouraged to write simple CVC words (consonant, vowel, consonant).

Please continue to let your child write their names using different resources e.g., pen, pencils, paint, sticks etc. Their name is a very important part of them and it is important they start school confidently being able to write this.

Understanding World

The children will continue to look after our 'Well-being' garden and make observations about the natural world around them. We will be exploring animals from around the world and learning about where they live and what they eat. Children will learn to talk about what they can see, compare different features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another.

Please discuss the natural world with your child. Visit the park or go on a nature walk.



Communication and Language

The children will continue to build up their vocabulary learning new words related to our topic Animals Near Far. We will be encouraging your children to speak in sentences and understand social cues when talking.

Read, read, and read! Reading enhances vocabulary and therefore speaking, listening and understanding skills.



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Maths

- Composition of number 3 and 4
- Introduction of a number line and understanding what comes before/after
- Building a number line
- Numbers to 5
- Composition
- Explicit addition
- Consolidation



PSHE

In PSHE, we will be following the JIGSAW scheme. Pupils will learn how to talk about relationships.

Children will be exploring:

- My family
- Making friends
- Falling out and Bullying
- Being the best friend we can be

At home please talk about these topics and reinforce them with your children during everyday events.



Expressive Art and Design

The children will be exploring music and dances from around the world. We will dance, sing and have fun with music. We will be learning about different sounds how they are created and become composers and choreographers.

Please allow your child to listen to variety of music at home. Please see attached link for a child friendly radio station.

<https://www.funkidslive.com/>



Physical Education

This half-term we will be participating in different team games to build our social skills and understanding of rules.



Languages – French

In French this term, the children will recap saying how we are feeling and learn how to name pets.



Useful websites:

<https://www.teachyourmonster.org/> maths and literacy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MVzXKfr6e8> counting to 20 workout

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>