

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Dear Parents and Children

Welcome back to a new term and another new topic.

This term our topic is 'Animals and Pets' which will take us right to the Summer holidays.

We will be learning about jungle animals, farm animals, minibeasts and pets.

We have many lovely books to study connected to our topic including Dear Zoo, Rainbow Fish, The Tiger who came to Tea and even Paddington! We will be looking at the different places animals have their habitats around the world and looking at how some animals can help us. We will be studying the life cycles of butterflies and birds in science and will be making a 'home' for an animal in design technology.

Our PE lessons will continue to be on Tuesday afternoon with Miss Day, and we will have another lesson a week, for the first half term it will be on a Monday but after half term it will vary as I slot it into the 'best fit' place in our timetable and is likely to change on a weekly basis. I intend to get us outdoors as the weather allows to use our grounds for PE and games lessons. Please ensure your child has a full kit - t-shirt, shorts, tracksuit bottoms and plimsolls or trainers. (don't forget to pop in an extra pair of socks for those girls wearing tights to school! And please remove your child's earrings for PE, thank you.)

Please could you find a little time to do a double check that your child's PE kit and their uniform are all named, it has been noted that some names are fading and washing out now and some new items of uniform bought have forgotten to be named. With warmer weather round the corner (!) jumpers/cardigans are likely to be taken off.

Many thanks for all the junk modelling materials and all the transport/garage items you collected for us last term. It was very much appreciated by the staff and the children.

A quick 'heads up' for this terms home/school project is to create a **bird house**. This can be made from any materials you have lying around in your home or shed and can be as colourful and unique as your child likes. (The projects sent in last term were amazing - thank you. I hope you had as much fun together creating them as we all had viewing them!)

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Rachel Baker

April 2018 - July 2018
EYFS, Year 1 & 2
Mrs Baker

English

Narrative
Speaking and Listening / Drama
Reading skills
Spelling
Use of visual Literacy
Grammar

History / Geography

Animals from the Savannah, jungle, African Plains, rainforest, arctic

Paddington's Peru
Minibeast Habitats
The history of the Horse

C.C.Links - Literacy, Maths, Science, Art, DT, ICT

ICT

Use of the Internet
Programmable toys
Keyboard and mouse skills
Exploration of IT possibilities to enhance learning

C.C. links - Literacy, Maths, Science, History, Geography, Music

Religious Education

Who is God?
How do Christians worship God?
Prayer

C.C. links - Literacy, Art, PHSE

Mathematics

Number - mental strategies & formal written methods
Shape
Problem Solving

Phonics

Phase 3 digraphs, trigraphs
Phase 5 alternative pronunciations
Phase 6 - To add common prefixes to root words and to understand how they change meaning

PSHE & Citizenship

Relationships

C.C.Links - Literacy, Art, Drama

Music

Peter and the Wolf
Carnival of Animals

C.C. links - Speaking and Listening, Literacy, Science, Design and Technology

Science

Animals including humans, living things and their habitats

Body parts, pets, basic needs, carnivores, herbivores, omnivores, grouping animals, local environments, local habitats, life cycles of frogs and butterflies, living vs non-living
C.C links - Literacy, Maths, History, Geography, PSHE, ICT, PE

Physical Education

Athletics
Games - (Miss Day)

C.C. Links - Maths, Science, Literacy

Design & Technology

My cat likes to hide in boxes
Rainbow Fish

C.C.Links - Art & Design

Art & Design

Animal masks
Jungle display
Famous artists
Clay minibeasts
Stone painting

C.C.Links - Design & Technology