

Literacy

Phonics - We will revise all the letter sounds taught in Reception and practise segmenting and blending words. We will learn doubled consonants eg. zz, ss, nk and syllables.

Reading - Our focus stories will be 'All Afloat On Noah's Boat' and 'Mr Gumpy's Outing'. We will also read a range of stories, poems and information texts related to our topic.

Spoken Language - We will recite poems and tell stories orally. We shall ask questions about animals and use descriptive words to talk about them. We will also role-play in our classroom animal care centre.

Writing - We will create story maps and learn to write labels, captions, lists and sentences. We will practise and further develop pencil control skills, letter formations and sizing.

Science

We will identify and name a variety of common animals and sort them into groups, making simple comparisons. We will talk about habitats and diet.

We will ask questions, observe closely and investigate animals.

We will also observe seasonal changes and weather patterns.

We will explore a range of materials and will investigate floating and sinking.

Art and Design / Technology

We will explore pattern, colour and texture, focusing on the work of Kandinsky and how he used colour mixing, tone and pattern in his work.

We will evaluate our work and that of others.

We will be cooking and learning about food hygiene and healthy eating, as part of our work on Harvest. We will use a range of materials to create floating structures.

Mathematics

Number and place value: We will practise counting forwards and backwards in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s. We will talk about numbers and practise 1 more / 1 less.

Addition/Subtraction: We will add and subtract using numbers to 10 / 20, using a variety of mathematical apparatus eg. Numicon, number lines. We will learn to write number sentences using the correct symbols. We will also begin to solve number problems.

Measure and Shape: We will learn about capacity, weight and length through role play and in practical mathematical activities, using non-standard measures.

We will also learn to name, sort and talk about 2D and 3D shapes.

Geography

We will learn about seasonal changes and weather patterns. We will discuss rain, the water cycle, floods etc.

We will follow Noah and Mr Gumpy on their journeys, identifying and describing key geographical features.

We will be finding out about different animal habitats and locating these on a world map.

P.E

We will develop fundamental skills and improve our balance through simple team games, ball skills and balance activities.

We will create a dance related to our topic, using 'Carnival Of The Animals' as a stimulus.

R.E and P.S.H.E

We will be discussing how we should care for others and the world around us. We will be sharing Bible stories and talking about how these teach us to be kind and caring. We will celebrate the key religious festivals of Harvest and Christmas.

Music

We will learn about pitch and rhythm, through song, listening to a variety of music and using musical instruments.

Computing

We will continue to practise keyboard and mouse control skills. We will develop our understanding of algorithms, using Beebots and simple computer programs. We will learn about using the internet safely. The children will be using iPads, classroom computers and the Interactive Whiteboard.

You can help your child by:

Reading together every day.

Practising 'tricky words' and letter sounds.

Counting in 1s, 2s, 5s, and 10s.

Talking about pets and animals in the wild and how we protect and care for them.

Talking about the seasons and the weather- particularly the rain!

Talking about what we are learning at school.

Logging on to Purple Mash and accessing a variety of activities for your child to do at home.

'All Aboard!'
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