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Frozen Planet..

Year 1 - Spring Term A



Maths

This half term, the children will be focusing on numbers up to 50. In week 1 and 2, the children will be focusing on partitioning numbers into 10s and 1s. The children will be ordering, finding one more and one less and comparing numbers to 20. They will also be solving missing number such as $5 + _ = 20$. After that, the children will be returning to addition and subtraction, with numbers to 30. We will recap what the + and - symbols mean and which methods we can use to find the answer. We will be recapping the drawing method and focusing on using the numberline. Example below:

Throughout this half term, we will also be recapping 2D and 3D shapes, counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and think about which numbers are odd and which numbers are even.

Phonics

Next half term, we will be continuing with our daily phonics lessons. The children will be completing their set 2 sounds and moving on to their Set 3 sounds:

ou, oy, a-e, ea, i-e, o-e, u-e, aw, are, ur, ow, oi, ire and ear

You can find video lessons to support your child to practise these sounds on the Year 1 TEAM. The children will be reading and writing words with these sounds in them. Please encourage your child to sound out their words before they write them.

English

In English this half term, we will be learning about poetry and fiction texts.

At the start of the half term, we will be learning the story 'Polar Bear and the Snow Cloud' using the Talk 4 Writing structure. The children will first learn the story, using actions to support them before having a try at writing the story themselves. They will then be thinking about other animals that live in cold places and innovate the story to make it their own for their independent writing.

After that, we will be focusing on rhyming words and short poems. The children will be learning what rhyming words are, why we use them and have a go at thinking of words that rhyme. For the last two weeks, we will be exploring a story called 'Lost and Found'. The children will be listening to this story, acting out parts of the story and thinking about how the characters are feeling in the story.

In our GPS, we will be learning about word types. The children will learn what an adjective is (a describing word) and will start to use these in their writing to describe the colour of things, the size, what they look like and emotions. We will then also be looking at the conjunction 'and'. The children will be using the conjunction 'and' to join two ideas together in their sentence.

Topic

This half term's topic focus will be History. We will be learning about two famous explorers. Robert Falcon Scott and Edmund Hillary. By the end of the half term, the children will know who the two explorers are and why they are significant. Within our topic lessons, we will be discussing what they think it would have been like to go on an Arctic expedition and whether they would like to go or not!

Art

In art, the children will be focusing on different art styles focusing inspired by Antarctica, following our topic planning. We will learn about famous, historical art styles and have a try at imitating it. Starting with the Skill of sketching.

Music

In music, the children will be learning a song called *In the Groove*. We will be focusing on finding the beat and rhythm within a song. The children will then learn the words to sing along before using instruments to play sections of the music. At the end of the half term, the children will perform their song.

Science

Our topic in science this half term, is 'Marvellous Materials'. We will be learning about what things are made from and describing their properties. We will be focusing on wood, metal, glass, plastic and fabric. We will be thinking about whether materials are hard, flexible, opaque, transparent, waterproof and rough.

This will link to our topic focus, as we will be thinking about which materials the explorers would need to stay dry (waterproof) and which materials we can use to keep things warm.

Throughout this science topic we will be conducting lots of experiments, both as a class and independent child led experiments. The children will be testing materials to see which ones are waterproof, which materials float and sink and which materials are the best at insulating.



Dates for your diary

3rd Jan – Term 2A starts

12th Jan- Y1 and 2 writing workshop

17th – 21st Jan- Sustainability week

31st Jan- 4th Feb- Internet safety week

9th and 10th Feb- Parent Engagement Meetings

10th Feb- Last day of Term 2A

11th Feb- INSET Day

PE

Our PE focus changes every half term, please ask your class teacher what your child will be learning in PE this half term.

Arabic

This half term, the Arabic topic will be 'Animals. **The children will learn about:**

1-Farm animals /letter ذار 2-Wild Animals/lettet ط/ظ 3-Desert Animals/Letters /ك/ن 4-Sea Animals. ش/ل

They will also learn about:

Colours in masculine and feminine, Adjectives (femine and masculine) numbers, sounds and vowels, To use Pronouns نحن (, to use adverb of place/ colours and prepositions (لي - له - لها)