



Year 1 Newsletter

Spring 2

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Welcome back!

Welcome back everyone! Due to current circumstances, you may not be in the classroom, but you are still very much part of our class, and it is vital that you continue to learn and achieve great things. Everything you need for remote learning can be accessed on TEAMS. Please contact me with any questions. This term, we will continue with our Enquiry question "Would a polar bear wear a jumper?" where we will be learning all about different groups of animals and explorers of the world.

English and Phonics

In English, we will be reading *The Everywhere Bear* and writing our own story. We will continue to link our English learning with our Enquiry by writing a biography on David Attenborough. As we get closer to the end of term, we will have a go at writing our own leaflet to highlight what we have found out in our Enquiry.

In Phonics, we will be recapping a lot of the sounds that we have learnt previously. With our primary focus on phase 5 of Letters and Sounds. We are starting this term with alternative pronunciations.



Maths

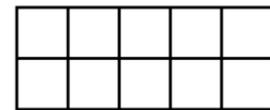
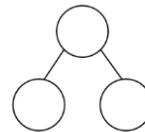
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This term, we will be exploring numbers to 50 to ensure we know them inside out.

This is part of our Maths Mastery way of learning, which encourages us to become flexible and creative problem-solvers.

We will use strategies such as part-whole models and 10 frames to help us do this

We will also be looking at measurement: length, height, weight and volume.



Curriculum Topic – Science

As mentioned, our Enquiry question is "Would a polar bear wear a jumper?" which is driven by the subject of Science. This term, we will be learning how animals are categorised by their physical features and diets.

In history, we will be going back in time and learning about the explorer Ernest Shackleton and what made him famous.

Computing

We will continue to use Purple Mash this term by becoming Maze Explores. We will be learning the importance of following directions.



PSHE

We continue with the PSHE scheme called Jigsaw, which helps the children learn to be mindful of their feelings and behaviour, as well as the feelings and behaviours of others. This term, we will be considering keeping clean and healthy. This will include making our own 'The Happy, Healthy Me Recipe Book'.



Reading at home

As a school we have invested in a brand new reading book system which is divided into: Pink A, Pink B, Red A, Red B, Yellow, Blue, Green, Orange and Turquoise. The new book system is fully phonetically decodable and banded slightly different to the previous books.

We aim for the children to be at 95% accuracy before moving onto the next book, so please do not worry if your child appears to be on a different book band than before. We will regularly assess which sounds they're fully confident with in order to ensure they have the correct books.



P.E

P.E. lessons will be on Thursday afternoons with Mr Smith.

Due to current circumstances, we will be following videos by Joe Wicks.

Important Dates

Thursday 1st April 2021 - Last day of term

Thank you for your continued support!

Class Teacher

Mr Smith

Acting Headteacher

Mrs Lindsay