

Reading: Class Texts: Our texts for this term are; finishing off 'Meerkat Christmas', followed by 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' and then a non-fiction text called 'Big Cats'. We will be developing the children's word reading, comprehension and discussion in groups, and with the teacher.

Guided Reading- Within our guided reading sessions, we will continue to use our phonic knowledge to decode words and developing the fluency of the children's reading. We will look at a variety of genres to broaden the children's experiences of texts.

Writing: After we have completed our work on 'Meerkat Christmas', we will be studying 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark'. This will include researching the common barn owl and writing effective sentences for our stories developing adverbs, dialogue, onomatopoeia and personification. We will then look at non-fiction texts on Big Cats and write non-chronological reports, looking at headings and sub headings, labels and captions.

History: After half term, we will be looking at 'Technology'. This unit looks at the changes in technology over the past 60 years. We will begin by thinking about the term 'technology' and what that means. We will then consider the technology that we use in our everyday lives. We will make comparisons between technology of the past and the modern day, thinking about how our lives have changed with the advances in technology.

Geography: Our new topic is Oceans and Continents. During this topic, we will be looking at the location of the continents and how they are made up as well as the physical and human features of the continents. We will also find out about the different seas and oceans which continents they link.

RE: Within RE we will be studying 'What do Muslims believe?' and the Christian celebration of Easter. This will include looking at the different beliefs and rituals that that the two religions celebrate.

Homework and Expectations:

Reading: 5 times a week as per home/school agreement. This will be monitored on Fridays and children will be rewarded. Books are changed on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Spellings: Given out weekly, tested on Fridays.

Homework: Handed out at the end of the week, due in the following Thursday.

Science: In Science we will be learning about living things and their habitats. After half term we will be looking at Plants (light and dark).

Computing: In our computing lessons this term we will be using 2Paint to create our own pictures in the style of many famous artist. We will create pictures using pointillism and surrealism. In the second half of the term, we will be using 2Sequence to combine sounds and compose our own tune.

PSHE: During this first half term, we will continue to look at Health and Wellbeing before moving on to Safety and the Changing Body.

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Visits/Events:

Emma Bridgewater (Date TBC)

Challenge: Our topic is Oceans and Continents. Can you find out any super facts about our this to go on our topic board? Dojos will be given out for the best facts!

Our Staff:

Mrs Bowcock - Class Teacher Mon/Tues/Wed
Mrs Barnett- Class teacher Wed pm/Thurs/Fri
Mrs Williams - Teaching Assistant.
Miss Murray - PE Tuesdays
Miss Riley - Computing on Fridays

Maths: We will start the term learning about money, studying coins and notes and looking at how to make different amounts of money. This will be followed by multiplication and division. All our investigations will follow concrete, pictorial and abstract methods. As always, we are continuously working on our number bonds to 10 and our 2, 5 and 10 times tables to ensure these are embedded by the end of Year 2.

Art: Through our art lessons we are looking at maps. We will be using maps as a stimulus for drawing. To learn and apply the steps of the felt-making process. We will also be using craft techniques to develop our ideas. We will be evaluating our own work against a given criterion. After half term we will be looking at sculpture using clay.

D&T: After half term we will be working on mechanisms and making moving monsters.

Music: We will be looking at how music makes the world a better place and inventing a musical story.

PE: Our PE day is a Tuesday afternoon. During this time, the children spend a session with Mrs Bowcock continuing our dance module before moving onto gymnastics, and a session with Miss Murray doing football. The children will work on basic movements before applying these in a range of football related games. The children will take part in team games whilst developing simple tactics for attacking and defending. Please send your child in correct PE kit.

Year 2 News:

Happy New Year! We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed lots of quality family time together. Sincerest thank you for all our lovely Christmas cards and presents, you are all so kind.

Welcome to the Spring term, we cannot believe we are nearly halfway through the year!

We are in the process of booking this term's trip and details will follow in due course.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support last term with your children's reading and homework. It is much appreciated.