

Reception Summer Term 1

Curriculum Map

Topic: Amazing Animals



Phonics

This half term we will be continuing to learn our phase 3 sounds and consolidating our phase 2 learning. We use Pearson's Bug Club Phonics to do this. Within these lessons we will practice our letter formation, blend sounds together to read words and write dictated sentences. We will be learning more tricky words and continuing developing our use of our phonics knowledge in our writing.

English/ Communication and Language

Most of our English is covered in our phonics lesson. To coincide with our topic we will have core texts that we will explore. These will include 'George and the Dragon', 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar', 'The Extraordinary Gardener' and 'The Encyclopaedia of very important animals'. We will also be reading many other stories, poetry and rhymes together. We will be continuing to focus of our listening skills, our comprehension of stories. We will be continuing to develop our letter/ number formation, writing CVC words and continue to develop on phonetical awareness. This half term we are focussing on applying our phonics knowledge to our writing to be able to write captions and short sentences.



Maths

This half term we will be focussing on numbers to 10 and counting beyond 10. We will be exploring how to represent numbers to 10 and looking at the one more/ one less relationship between numbers.



Understanding the World

Past and Present - 'Adventures through time' - We will be comparing and contrasting people from the past, exploring how the environment has changed and looking at our families.

People, Culture and Communities - 'Exploring Maps' - We will be continuing our learning about maps and how they are used.

Natural World - 'Animal adventures' and 'Our beautiful planet' - We will be learning all about different types of animals and will be looking at plants/what plants need to grow.

Physical Development

In our PE sessions we will be getting sports day ready this half term. Practicing their running technique, how to stay in their lanes to race, their throwing skills for accuracy and power and jumping for distance and height. We will be also be focussing on using a comfortable pencil grip with good control, being healthy, moving with balance and control, negotiating space and focussing on the orientation of our letter and number shapes.

PSHE

This half terms topic is all about 'Being My Best'. In this unit we will be exploring how to manage our feelings when things get tricky and all the different ways we can look after our health.

Music (Expressive Arts)

This half term the children will be thinking about the song 'down there under the sea'. In this unit the children will be developing a song by composing new words, adding movements and adding props.

We will also be exploring call-and-response songs as well as experimenting with creating sea sound effects on percussion instruments.

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Art and DT (Expressive Arts)

In art we will be looking at Andy Goldsworthy, using natural materials to make patterns and natural sculpture. We will also experience drawing outside in the natural environment.

In addition to this we will be having a go at some country dancing.

RE

Within RE we will be thinking about the question 'What can we learn from stories?'. This half term we will be learning about stories from around the world such as 'The boy who cried wolf', 'Best Friends' and 'The crocodile and the priest' and will be exploring what these stories tell us.

How you can support at home

Each week your child will come home with a reading book for them to read to you, please sit with your child and support them in sounding out and blending the words as well as discussing the story. The flashcards with the sounds and tricky words we have learnt so far are great for playing lots of games, maybe you can take turns being the teacher or hide them around the house and try to find them. We add sounds to them as we learn them so please ensure they are put back in their book bags along with their books so we can update them.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to an exciting half term!

Key Dates

Tuesday 21st April - 'The journey of Phonics from EYFS to KS1' Presentation @ Stogumber at 2.30pm.

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday

Saturday 9th May - Spring Fete 12-3pm

Monday 11th May - Reception LOTC Day

Wednesday 20th May - Sports Day @ Stogumber in the afternoon - more information to follow