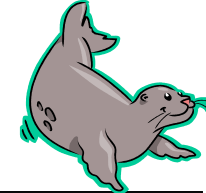




Key stage 1 Spring 1



Literacy

We are going to read and learn the story 'Blue Penguin'. We will describe the world the penguin lives in and recount his trip. We will write our own stories based on animals who are similar, but look different. We will write information booklets about penguins and the world they live in.

Science

We are going to look at arctic food chains. We will think about how animals are adapted to help them survive in cold climates. The children will conduct science experiments around keeping things hot or cold. We will see how temperature changes different materials, such as ice.

Maths

In maths we will be practising our number bonds and solving problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also learn about telling the time and mass or weight.



To **hook** the children into our frozen planet topic we will come into school to find that our classrooms have become an Arctic wonderland. How does it feel to be in the Arctic? What would we see and hear?

Our **round up** this half term will be a virtual interactive museum. Come along and learn different facts about Ernest Shackleton.



This term our topic is:
Frozen Planet.

Geography / history.

We will be learning about the explorer Ernest Shackleton. We will compare how explorers travelled then to now. We will create timelines and use photos to gain knowledge about the past. We will find out where in the world he travelled to.

Music

This half term the children will be learning to play the ukulele.

All Things New!

Each class will have the opportunity to use the school library **once a week**. The children will be able to choose a book to read for pleasure at home, to go alongside their coloured reading book which is matched to their reading level. Please remind your child to change their library book on their allocated day;

Monday – Dolphins, Tuesday – Seals, Wednesday – Seahorses



This half term we are lucky enough to be having our Chelsea coaches on a **Friday** for PE. The children can wear their PE kits into school on Friday. Please ensure all items of clothing are named.

PSHE

We will be thinking about what makes a good friend. This will involve how to be a good friend, and how we feel when we fall out with our friends.

ICT

The children will be learning to code and debug their own games.

Art

We will be creating collages around the theme of our frozen planet. We will learn to sort and select materials, to tear and crumple, and arrange materials to create a collage.

PE

Our Chelsea foundation coaches will be building on our agility, balance and coordination skills in a variety of sports. We will also learn dance techniques around our frozen planet theme.

Design Technology

We will be designing, planning, making and evaluating puppets linked to the pantomime performed in school.

RE

We will be thinking about the concept of change. We will learn this through Christian and Hindu stories.

Homework



Lots of children have reached their 50 read milestone last half term, well done if your child is one of them! Please encourage your child to read for a few minutes each night and to write a comment in their reading diaries.



Remember – Hold a sentence homework will go out on a **Monday** and is due back in on a **Friday**. You will receive an email every Monday with all the homework, including Purple Mash activities so give these a try!