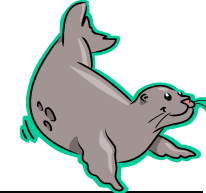




Key stage 1 Spring 1



Literacy

We are going to read and learn the story 'Big Bear, Little brother'. We will think about the emotions of the characters and then write a diary as one of those characters. We will read the story 'Blue penguin' and then write information booklets about penguins and the world they live in. We will write a story where differences is the theme.

Science

We are going to be looking 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 measuring mass.



HOOK



We will find a rucksack in the hall. Who does it belong to? We will look inside to find different objects, photographs and diaries. As historians, we will reflect on these items and make predictions about who our significant individual is.

Our round up



Come in to be part of our interactive museum around a significant person from the past. Date to follow soon.

Geography / history

We will be learning about the explorer Robert Falcon Scott. 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.

This term our topic is:
Frozen Planet

Music

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

NEW

All Things New!

Each class can use the school library on Friday morning. The children will be able to choose a book to read for pleasure at home, to go alongside their phonics reading book which is matched to their reading level. Please remind your child to change their library book every Friday.

We are lucky enough to be having taught target lessons on a **Wednesday** and PE on a **Friday**. The children can wear their PE kits into school on Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure all items of clothing are named.

NEW

PSHE

We will be learning about how our character traits make us unique. We will celebrate our strengths and the strengths of others.

ICT

The children will be learning to write algorithms by programming Bee-bots. They will then learn to solve problems by 'debugging' their algorithms.

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

We will be practicing our target skills through a range of sports, such as archery. We will also look at fundamental skills through our ABC's (agility, balance and co-ordination skills)

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 new beginnings. We will learn about Holi. We will hear the story of Krishna and Radha.

Homework



Please encourage your child to read for a few minutes each night and to write a comment in their reading diaries. They will have two phonics books given out on a Thursday linked to the sounds they are learning. Some children have reached 100 reads!

Remember – Hold a sentence homework will go out on a **Friday** and is due back the following **Friday**. You will receive an email every Friday with all the homework, including Purple Mash activities so give these a try! The email will also say what we are learning in class the following week.

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