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Class newsletter



Spring Term 2020

Ecology and Sustainability

Year 1

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Our curriculum theme for the whole school this term is **Ecology and Sustainability**. We will continue to make cross curricular links with all areas.

In Year 1 our Spring focus is **Endangered Animals**.

We will be learning about how we can reduce our impact on our planet, how to help save endangered species and what causes climate change, global heating and what on Earth it all means!



PSHE

In PSHE we will be discussing emotions and how we can control and understand them. We will be looking at our class 'Values Tree', learning about the meaning of each word, such as 'Openness' and 'Enriching' and talking about how we can relate this to ourselves and our future learning. On top of this, we will be discussing our topic and how it relates to us and our feelings. Our big focus will be how we can be good citizens by looking after our environment.

English and Writing

Reading - Daily Supported Reading (D.S.R.) will happen four mornings a week. During this session the children's reading ability will progress through a daily session that teaches and develops early reading skills.

Writing - The children will be writing about endangered animals and how we can help to save these species. During the term, Year 1 will write to politicians to raise awareness for endangered animals in the UK, they will write poetry about sustainability and ecology and explore many other exciting topics.

SPaG - Year 1 will be focusing on the key features of writing a sentence such as using capital letters, full stops, finger spaces and using their sounds. They will also be practicing the correct spelling of a range of high frequency words and common exception words to support the development of their writing.

Mathematics

Number—In maths, Year 1 will be continuing to learn to read, write and count numbers to 30 and beyond. We will also be developing our addition and subtraction skills and understanding, as well as beginning to look at multiplication and division through repeated addition and sharing.

Science

This term we will be investigating the different seasons and how these relate to the climate and continents. We will explore the impact of climate change on the weather, the seasons and the knock on affects this has on wildlife. Year 1 will be looking at what type of habitats animals need to survive and why these habitats are diminishing.

Religious Education (RE)

This term we will use the Hackney Agreed Syllabus to investigate who the Muslims are in our community. We will be learning about the key beliefs of Muslims and how they practice their religion.



Physical Education (PE)

Our class will take part in the daily mile to promote health and fitness across the school. In P.E children will be learning different skills surrounding a variety of sports to develop them as young athletes. P.E. will take place on **Tuesday** afternoons. Please make sure your child has their P.E. kits washed and ready to go.

Design and Technology

In Design and Technology Year 1 will be exploring different skills such as sewing, gluing and junk modelling to create a range of different products related to our topic of Sustainability.



Homework

Homework and Reading books:

Reading books will be changed throughout the week. Homework is due in on a **Wednesday** and will be sent home on a **Friday**.



Reading

- **Reading:** It is important that your child continues to read every day at home for at least 15 minutes.
- Please make time to listen to your child read and ask questions about their current book.
- Also, **BIG READ** is held every Wednesday from 9:00-9:30. You are welcome to join!



P.E

P.E. will be every **Tuesday**. Please ensure that they have their P.E. T-shirt, shorts and socks and trainers. Please make sure that your child's uniform and P.E. kits are clearly labelled.

Punctuality

Please ensure that your child comes to school on time. Your child should be in the playground **by 8.55am** at the latest and ready for a 9am start. We have Daily Supported Reading every morning. It is very important that your child arrives on time, so that they do not miss out on their learning.

Message from Ms Clark

If any parents or carers have any questions about homework, how to help your children with their phonics assessments, or helping your child with their reading please come and ask. I am always happy to help. I will continue to be out of class on a Thursday morning for planning, preparation and assessment time. Ms Glenette will be covering the class. Thanks for the continued support.