

Spring Term One, Year 1

Welcome Back!

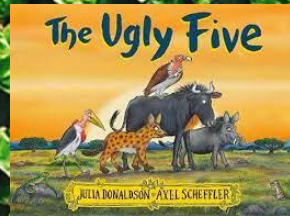
Happy New Year!

We are very much excited to have the children back after our Christmas break.

Our topic this half term is Science focused and will focus around the question 'Does a cat have wings?' To hook us into our learning we are very lucky to be going on a school trip to Woburn.

As always we have an open door policy and if you have any questions please speak to your class teacher in the first instance.
Kind regards
Mrs Hughes

We are reading...



English

We will start the half term off looking at non-fiction texts. We will explore the book 'Funny bums and funky beaks'. We will use this as a foundation to write our own animal and habitat descriptions.

In our SPaG lessons, we will start to learn about and use exclamation marks. We will then be expected to use these in our writing lessons.

Maths

In Maths, we will be extending our learning from the Autumn term from numbers within 10 to numbers within 20.

The children will look at place value as well as adding and subtracting. This will include number bonds to 20- a hugely important fluency skill to learn.

Science

In Science this half term, we will be exploring animals. We look at the different animal groups including mammals, reptiles, fish, amphibians and birds. We will also discover what the different animals eat and learn that the scientific terms for the different groups are carnivores, omnivores and herbivores.

Important Dates

15th January- Clubs start

w/c 15th January-Phonics
Screening mocks

19th January -Trip to Woburn

Geography/History

In Geography, we will learn about what a continent is. We will also learn about the 7 different continents and be able to name these. We will apply this learning and use maps to help locate where the different continents are in the world.

Art/DT

Our focus this half term will be on Batik. We will explore the origins of this technique, plan and then use the skills needed to create our own animal design.

Music

'By the sea' is our music unit for this half term. By the end of the unit, we will know that sounds can be adapted to change the mood. We will also know that music can be represented by pictures or symbols – this is the beginning on notation on music.

PSHE

In PSHE, our focus will be on goals and dreams. Children will look at setting themselves a goals and have the opportunity to discuss how challenges help us to develop and grow their learning.

Computing

In our computing lessons we will be using Beebots. Children will learn that algorithms are used to move a robot. During lessons, children will learn to use the directions to navigate around a Beebot map and the classroom.

PE

In PE we will have two units to explore each week. In Dance, we will develop movement thinking about actions, dynamic and space. In Team Building, we will focus on the skills of balance, co-ordination, run, jump and hit.