

Sprint Term One, Year 3

Welcome to Spring Term One

We hope you are ready for another fun filled term of learning. As part of our next topic,

'What's the ultimate predator?' we will be learning about animals across the world and in different environments. We will be looking at what characteristics make them the ultimate predator!

If you have any questions during the term, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

We are
reading...



English

This half term we are going to be using the book *The boy who grew dragons* by Andy Shepherd to inspire our writing. We will be retelling the story in our own words and using this to help us plan and write our own adventure stories. We will also be writing instructions on how to grow your own dragon.

Maths

Throughout this half term, we will be learning how to multiply 3 digit numbers by one, two and three digit numbers. We will be using our knowledge of the column method and applying it to multiplication. We will also be learning how to divide. We will learn a new method called the 'bus stop' method. We will be applying both these methods to a variety of problems.

Important Dates

08.01 – Inset Day
10.01 – Zoolab
19.01 – World Religion Day
w/c 05.02 – Children's Mental Health Day
09.02 – International Day of Women and girls in Science

Science

In our science lessons this half term, we are going to be learning about animals, including consumers. We will be learning about whether animals have skeletons, whether they eat meat or not, and why they are adapted to their habitat. Our topic will include aquatic animals and what makes them different from land animals. We will be learning why certain predators are at the top of our food chain and what makes them the ultimate predator!

Spanish

During our Spanish lessons we will be focusing on animals. We will be pronouncing animal names, tell someone what our favourite animal is, recognising some animal nouns in the plural and writing Spanish sentence about what animals we can see.

Art/DT

In art, we will be doing sketching. We will be focussing on Henri Rousseau and his artistic creations of jungle environments. By using cross-hatching and tone, we will be designing our own ultimate predator using our knowledge from our science lessons. We'll be focussing on not only the predator, but the environment they are in.

Music

As part of our music lessons, we will be focusing on melodies from Chinese New Year celebrations. We will be learning key musical terminology, playing, and creating pentatonic melodies, composing a piece of music using layered melodies.

PSHE

As part our PSHE topic this half term, we will be focussing on our dreams and ambitions, what they are and what they mean to us. We will also be focussing on overcoming challenges and obstacles we may face.

Computing

During our computing lessons this half term, we will be learning about sequencing in programming. We will be doing this through the use of our iPads and Scratch. We will be introduced to the idea of motion, sound and event blocks to create an instrument that can play a tune.

PE

On Tuesday and Thursdays children are invited to come into school wearing their P.E kits ready for their P.E lessons.

This half term, the children will be learning how to become 'machines' within their dance lessons learning how to repeat sequences of moves. They will also be working as a team during their Tag Rugby lessons.