

English:

This term, our topic is *Penguins, Possums and Pigs*. We are going to be reading books written by the author Oliver Jeffers called "Lost and Found" and "Up and Down" which have a penguin character in their story. The children will write their own story based on the themes they explore. Year 1 are then going to explore *Non-Chronological Reports* about Penguins where they will learn many interesting facts about Emperor Penguins. They will use the information that they have gathered to write their own simple information report. Finally, they will explore poetry. They will learn a poem called "I'm a little Penguin." During this topic, the focus will be for the children to write in sentences with capital letters and full stops.

The children will be taught Phonics during a daily session where we will revise all previously taught phases and focus on new learning through Phase 5. The children will also take part in a weekly Guided Reading session with the class teacher and read at least once weekly with the class teaching assistant.

Maths:

The children will start the term by revising numbers to 10. They will match the words and the digits and count object to 10. Year 1 will compare numbers of objects, order and then compare numbers. We will then look at making number bonds and use these bonds to make number stories. They will add by using number bonds and then learn to add by counting on. The children will practise completing number sentences and then to make addition stories. This half term they will conclude by solving picture problems. The children will practise counting in 1s, 5s and 10s throughout the term and learn how to spell numbers.

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Science: We will spend this half-term looking at animals.

We will look at and label animals that live in the Arctic and compare these animals to animals that live in other parts of the world. Children will identify where in the world a specific animal lives and will understand how animals use the environment they live in to survive and stay safe. Children will compare different animals according to where they live and their different features.

Music:

The children will be learning and performing a new song called 'Hey You!' We will be exploring rhyme, rhythm, pitch and movement as well as learning about different instruments and genres of music including rap!

PSHE:

During this half-term we will be looking at ourselves and the relationships that we have. We will explore the different feelings we have, the importance of class rules, how well we listen to each other, being a good friend and who the special people are in our lives.

PE: Monday and Wednesday- come to school dressed in PE kit.

Spelling test: Wednesday

Homework: Sent out on Friday: Due in on Wednesday

Read daily for at least 5 minutes.

Geography: Year 1 will learn about the 7 continents and 5 oceans of The World. They will learn about The North and South Poles as well as the Equator. They will learn how the temperature becomes colder as we move away from the equator. They will investigate how hot and cold places have different animals, plants and homes. The children will find out how people survive in the Arctic and the activities that they take part in. We will also look at ways in which people travel to different countries and compare modes of transport in the UK to how people travel in the South Pole. Finally, we will identify countries that have a beach and understand the reasons why some countries have a beach and why some don't.

Art:

This term the children's art work will be focus on penguins. They will explore the topic through a range of mediums. The children will experience drawing with different materials-pencil, chalk and charcoal on different coloured paper. They will paint penguins and then go on to paint an Antarctica background using different shades by mixing colours. They will make penguins out of clay and then paint them. The children will evaluate their own work and that of their peers, saying what they like and how their work could be improved.

Computing: Year 1 will take a close look at technology around us and consider what technology we use every day. Children will be introduced to using a computer and will learn how to use the main features of a computer such as the mouse and keyboard. Children will begin to learn how to use the mouse to open and close programs and how to use the keyboard to type. Finally, we will learn how to use a computer safely and responsibly.

RE: The children will be learning about the religion of Islam. They will learn how Muslims believe that Allah is seen through the nature he created. They will read the story "The Tiny Ants" by Gill Vaisey and learn how all animals need to be looked after, however small. The children will investigate how Allah is referred to in many ways in the Qur'an.

PE:

This term our PE lessons will be linked to our Literacy unit. We will be using the story 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers to develop our skills. The children will explore moving in different ways-hopping, skipping, rolling etc. They will develop their sending skills by throwing over arm, under arm and then aiming at a target. They will practise the skill of receiving by catching various objects-balls, beanbags, quoits etc.