

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In PSED this term we will be thinking about our relationships and health. Learning about our bodies and how to keep them safe. We will be focussing on mindfulness, gratitude and how to manage our thoughts.

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

This term we will be focusing on our clarity of speech when sharing our experiences. We will be talking about what we know about different animals as well as talking about the exotic animals we will encounter when using the VR headsets.

READING AND COMPREHENSION

As part of our 'Animals' topic we will be exploring lots of non-fiction texts to learn about animals and their features. We will be looking at what is the same and what is different between fiction and non-fiction texts and answering questions about what we have read.

THINGS TO DO AT HOME

There are many ways you can help to support your child's learning at home.

Here are some ideas:

-Read **daily** with your child.

Expose them to a range of genres and materials – particularly non-fiction books to tie in with our animals topic. Encourage them to recognise their red words in a book and using their sounds to segment and blend words.

-Give children lots of opportunities at home to use scissors and a range of artistic equipment.

-Share your experiences with animals as part of our topic, this could be talking about pets or a visit to a farm. What do you notice about these animals, what is the same and what is different?

-Work on adding and taking away with physical objects at home as well as recording this in number sentences.

-Go for a walk and see what examples of new life can find around you.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

As part of our 'Animals' topic this term we will be learning about a range of animals and their habitats. We will even visit the artic, rainforests and deserts through the VR headsets and will be talking and writing about our experiences. We will also spend some time exploring some scientific experiments!

Reception Learning Map

Summer 1

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WRITING

This half term we will be applying our writing skills to write across different genres like non-fiction. We will be continuing to build up our knowledge of sounds as well as formation of letters. We will continue to work on constructing sentences and using these for effect.

NUMBER

This half term we will be focussing on applying what we have learnt so far and extending this to construct numbers to 20, looking for patterns as well as formally adding and taking away. We will recognise what happens when numbers and amounts are added to and taken from.

EXPRESSIVE ART AND DESIGN

We will be taking part in a large-scale art project this term building an animal habitat diorama. We will work on different parts of this each week making choices about materials for purpose and learning a range of new artistic techniques.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

In physical development this term we will be focussing our fine motor skills within the creation of our dioramas using a range of tools and techniques. To build on our gross motor skills we will be spending time on the trim trail working on balance and negotiating objects as well as spending time developing our skills on balance bikes.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our R.E. topic for this term is New Life. Following on from our learning about Easter we will be learning about how Jesus rising from the dead brought us all joy and gave us all new life. We will also be exploring nature looking at all of the new life around us at spring time.

NUMERICAL PATTERNS

We will be focussing our pattern spotting skills on the counting system. Beginning to count to high numbers and discussing what we have noticed. We will also be looking for patterns when adding and taking away, linking our knowledge of number bonds to 10 and 20 thinking about what is the same and what is different.