

Art/DT

We will develop our skills in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space. We will work together as a class to design and create a mixed media Safari scene. We will also complete pieces of artwork in the aboriginal style, and will create animal collages. Any old magazines would be greatly received.

Music

Mrs Caswell will be teaching the children music this term. In music we will listen to Camille Saint-Saens 'Carnival of the Animals'. We will then discuss the range of instruments used to depict different animals, linking this with 'pitch' and 'tempo'.

ICT

We will develop our skills of touch typing by creating our own fact file using Purple Mash. We will also learn how to safely use the internet to copy and paste pictures, as well as conduct internet research.

Science

Our topic this term is 'Animals including humans'. We will begin by naming and classifying common animals, including mammals, amphibians, reptiles, birds and fish. We will then learn about the habitats of different animals, and what they need to survive. We will then move on to discover which animals are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. Finally, in this topic we will learn about food chains, using technical vocabulary such as 'prey', 'predator' and 'energy'.



Carnival of the Animals



English

At the start of this term we will be reading non-fiction information texts about the animals which will be visiting year 2. We will then create our own fact file about a chosen animal using a range of punctuation including commas in a list. We will then read an African tale and map out the key events in the story. We will also have the opportunity to improve and develop the story, adding our own twist e.g. replacing the animal. We will also be learning how to use adverbs and conjunctions, and learning about how to engage the reader.

Maths

This term we will begin with division and then moving on to data handling. We will contextualise our learning by voting for which animals they would like to visit our school. We will then create block diagrams and learn how to interpret the data. We will then recap taught strategies for solving problems with the four operations of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. Finally, we will learn to tell the time to the nearest 15 minutes, and will solve problems using units of measure e.g. centimetres.

Geography

We will develop our atlas skills to locate the different continents, oceans and countries. This will help us understand the importance of animal adaptation to their environment. We will also make look at the differences between hot and cold countries. We will conduct a local area study comparing Woodley with a town in Kenya; looking at the similarities between a child's life in Kenya and their own. We will look at significant people like Jane Goodall and explorer Captain Robert Scott.

RE

This term in RE we will be studying 'Islam'. Our enquiry question will be: Does praying at regular intervals everyday help a Muslim in his/her everyday life? The children will also learn about the five pillars of Islam, as well as different festivals.

PE/Games

Outdoor PE will be taught by a specialist coach on Wednesday mornings from Reading Football Club. We will be learning how to control the ball in a wide range of skill based games. Indoor PE will be on Thursdays for both classes. We will also develop our dance and gymnastic skills further this term.

PSHE

Our topic this term is 'Dreams and Goals'. We will begin by celebrating what we are successful in, and will then create a personal goal. Working in small groups, we will consider the steps to achieving this goal. We will be discussing ideas like resilience, positivity and perseverance.