



PAWS and CLAWS

Year 1 – Spring 2

Topic Leaflet

The focus of this half term in Year 1 is animals. The children will learn about the different animal groups and begin to name animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. The children will also be focusing on the different habitats animals live in.

Dates to remember:

Monday 9th March – Marwell Zoo Trip

Monday 16th March 9-10am – Parents to watch Writing

Wednesday 25th March at 2.45pm – Kangaroo Class Assembly

Wednesday 1st April at 2.45pm – Tiger Class Assembly

English

This half term the children will be focusing on story writing. We will be looking at Paw Patrol videos to help them write their stories. The children will be creating some of their own Paw Patrol stories.

In class we will be reading lots of story books and discussing the beginning, middle and end of each story. When reading with your child please discuss with them what happened in the beginning, middle and end of the story.

At home:

- Read with your child regularly and help them move up the reading rockets.
- Support your child's learning of their weekly spellings or green and red words from Read Write Inc.
- Talk about the Paw Patrol characters to help the children with their writing.

Maths

This half term the children will be working on ordering numbers on a number line and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will also be learning the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes, learning how to tell the time and how to use coins.

You can help your child by talking to them about money and coins when paying for items and showing them the clocks or watches you have and how you tell the time with them.

Don't forget! Every week there is a maths challenge on tapestry, Your child gets a dojo for every completed task.

Science: Our topic this half term is about animals and their habitats. The children will learn about what habitats are specific for different animals.

DT: We will be making moving pictures this half term. The children will learn how to make a picture with a lever and a slider to illustrate a story.

RE: The focus this half term is 'Sadness to Happiness'. The children will learn about the death and resurrection of Jesus and why this story is important to Christians.

PE: The focus this half term is sending and receiving. They will learn how to throw, pass, kick and roll balls and beanbags and how to catch and collect them.

Geography: The children will be learning about where animals live in the local area and why they choose these places. We will also learn how humans can affect the natural environment and what effect this has on animals and plants.

Forest Schools: Year 1 will continue to do Forest Schools for one afternoon a week. This helps them to experience and appreciate the outdoor environment.