



PAWS and CLAWS

Year 1 – Spring 2

Topic Leaflet

The focus for this half term in Year 1 is animals. The children will continue to learn about the different animal groups look at the different life cycles of different animals. The children will also be focusing on the different habitats animals live in.

Dates to remember:

Friday 4th March - World Book Day Dress Up

Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th March – Parents Evening

Friday 18th March – Comic Relief Dress Up

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.

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 life cycles. The children will learn about the similarities and differences between different animals' life cycles.

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.

Computing: In computing the children will be introduced to Microsoft Word and learn how to open and save a word document whilst also developing their typing skills and how to edit their text on the screen.