



Dear Families,

The best learning takes place when the context is meaningful and made real to the child's own life. We hope that by sharing our aims, you and your family will support your child's learning in any way you can. If you have any skill, resources or knowledge that you can contribute and share with us at school, please see your child's class teacher.

Maths

We will be exploring numbers beyond 10 this term. We will be adding and taking away numbers up to 20. We will be using ten frames and a variety of manipulatives to help us understand how numbers increase and decrease and match them with digits. We will be continuing our exploration of 2D shapes and patterns.

Literacy

We will be continuing to work on our phonics and we will be learning to read longer words in sentences in stories. We will be developing our sentence writing using punctuation. Our core books for this term will be: Little Red, Cottonwool Colin, The Koala Who Could, Giraffes Can't Dance, What the Ladybird Heard and The Bumble Bear.

Understanding the World

We will be exploring animals from around the world and the groups they belong to. We will learn about the word habitat and explore our outside habitat and our Forest School habitat. We will create a bug hotel for minibeasts.

Animal Safari



Physical Development

We will continue to develop our key skills such as balancing, landing, rolling, throwing, hopping, skipping and jumping. We will also continue to develop our independence whilst getting dressed for our PE lessons.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be developing a range of techniques to create animal art and exploring the different tools that provide different outcomes. We will perform songs and nursery rhymes and create actions to match the words. We will use the instruments to showcase a range of sounds and movements.

Communication and Language

We will continue to learn and improve our speaking and listening skills by discussing and comparing observations we make about spring and changes over time. We will be discussing our learning and special events and using our new vocabulary in our every day conversations.

Personal Social and Emotional Development

We will develop our listening skills and continue to follow instructions. We will develop taking turns and develop our self-regulation when faced with challenges. We will continue to learn about the importance of eating a healthy diet.

Garden

This half term we will be creating our own edible garden and wildflower garden in our outside space. We will take it in turns to water and prepare the soil and ensure that our vegetables and plants have a good environment to grow in.

Animal Safari

In the Animal Safari project, your child will learn about incredible animals that live worldwide. They will explore various animal habitats and compare the animals that live there with animals in their locality. They will learn how to care for pets and what all animals need to grow, survive and stay happy and healthy. They will explore animal features and find out how they survive in the wild. They will compare the ways that animals are similar and different.

Help your child prepare for their project

- Go on a 'local safari' to find out about the animals that live in your garden or local park.
- Look at animals from around the world, discuss your favourite animals and find out some fantastic facts.
- Share and discuss the [Did you know?](#) Resource