

English

In English this half-term we will be reading 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo to help inspire our writing. We will be having a class debate on the topic "Is it ever right to keep animals in captivity?" to develop our public speaking and listening skills. We will also have the opportunity to draft, improve and publish our own narrative based on The Butterfly Lion. Weekly lessons in grammar and reading linked to our topic will also take place. It is very important that reading takes place every night at home for at least 30 minutes so that children improve their comprehension skills and increase their vocabulary.

Maths

In maths we will start by exploring multiplication and division. This will cover factors, multiples, prime numbers, square and cube numbers as well as multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000.

Towards the end of term, we will move on to measurement, looking at perimeter and area of both regular and irregular shapes.

Regular times tables and mental maths practice will also take place.

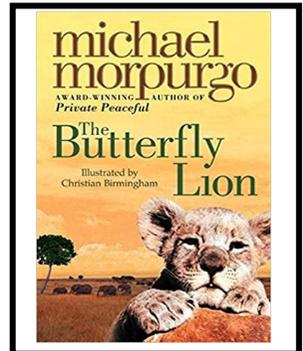
Science

Our topic this half-term is 'Living things and their habitats.' The main areas we will be studying will be linked to the life cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds. We will also start to learn about different methods of reproduction in a variety of plants. We will be thinking about life both in our local environment and the wider world and exploring different biomes.

We will also be finding out about the work of animal behaviourist Jane Goodall.



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Topic

We will be learning about climates in the world and biomes. We will be studying the plants and animals that live there.

We will be studying a map of the world to find out about the divisions of the Earth, such as the poles, the tropics, the Equator, and lines of latitude and longitude.

In art, we will be experimenting with different methods of working with clay to produce a variety of sculpted effects. We will look at some of the animal sculpture work of the artist Sir Edwin Landseer and use this as inspiration for our own clay sculptures of a lion's head.

French

The children will be learning words related to the classroom environment.

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Curriculum Newsletter

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'Is it ever right to keep animals in captivity?'

Enrichment: Lavender Class Assembly 26/11/21

PE: Tuesday morning for both Year 5 classes. Year 5 will continue to attend swimming lessons throughout November.

Homework: Given out on Friday to be returned on Tuesday. Weekly spelling test.

RE

This half term, the children will be learning about Hinduism. We will listen to and retell stories of Rama and Krishna and remind ourselves of the Diwali story and the importance of this festival.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be learning about different ways to keep safe at home and school. These include safety on the roads and while using the internet. We will also be looking at how to report concerns or abuse, and the vocabulary and confidence needed to do so.

Suggested books to read

The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame
Greta and the Giants by Zoe Tucker
Running Wild by Michael Morpurgo
Running on the Roof of the World by Jess Butterworth

Non fiction books about animals, plants and world climate

Suggested places to visit

Paradise Wildlife Park, London Zoo, Natural History Museum

Suggested websites to visit

<https://www.tate.org.uk/art/teaching-resource/animals-art>

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/encyclopedia/biome/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgssgk7>