

Topic
Science

The children will be reading the story 'Pesky Rat'. After hearing the story, the children will be learning to classify pets into mammals, reptiles, birds, fish and amphibians.

The children will then be learning about animals from around the world linking back to their learning of the 7 continents.

Next the children will be learning about different animal's habitats and will be creating a shoebox habitat for one of their favourite animals.

Art

The children will be learning about the French artist Henri Rousseau. One of his most famous painting is titled 'Surprised!' which is a jungle scene containing a tiger. The children will be creating their own piece of artwork inspired by Henri Rousseau using a variety of mediums. The children will also create a whole class piece of artwork using their collaboration skills.

Computing

During the Animal Kingdom topic the children will be learning about stop motion animation. They will be learning the different techniques of stop motion animation. Then the children will plan and create their own story around the animal kingdom using stop motion animation.

Important Dates

Friday 21st April - Progress Reports will be sent home

25th, 26th and 27th of April - Parent's Evenings

Monday 1st May - School Closed

Thursday 4th May - Parent Coffee Morning

Friday 5th May - Fox Class Assembly

Year 2

Summer 1st Half Term

Animal Kingdom



PE

PE is on Monday and Wednesday (cricket) and Friday (athletics) this half term. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school every day. This should include; a t-shirt, jumper, shorts, tracksuit bottoms, plimsoll and trainers.

SATS

During this half term the children will be completing SATS papers for reading and maths. The children will also complete the Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling SAT assessment in order to inform their teacher-assessed level in Writing. Please ensure your child is at school throughout this half term. Please support and reassure your child that there is nothing to worry about and that they should always just try their best.

English

This half term the children will be learning about different types of poetry. They will be learning to spot rhyming words in different poems and create different rhyming strings themselves.

The children will also listen to different types of poems before performing poems themselves. Finally, the children will write their own poems using their sense and interesting descriptive language.

The children will also be learning about stop motion animation before writing their own story. This will help them create their own animation about different animals.

The children may also write a comic strip about their animation using interesting descriptive language and different forms of punctuation.

Maths

The children will be learning to tell the time in maths this half term. They will be learning to tell and write the time to five minutes, including quarter past/to the hour and draw the hands on a clock face to show these times. The children will learn to tell the time using both digital and analogue clocks. The children will also learn to know the number of minutes in an hour and the number of hours in a day. The children will finally learn to compare and sequence intervals of time e.g order times from the earliest time to the latest.

When the children have finished the maths SATS papers we will analyse their answers to find any gaps in their mathematical knowledge. We will then use the last 2/3 weeks of the half term to develop these gaps with the children.