



Cygnets and Pufflings Term 2 Newsletter

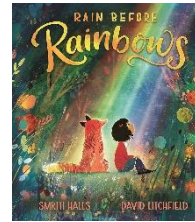
Geography

We'll be finding out how weather changes throughout the year, keeping a class weather chart, and learning to use weather symbols like real meteorologists! In geography, we'll compare climates in places such as the **UK and the Arctic**, discovering how animals survive in different conditions.



Writing

This term we will be using different books to help stimulate our writing ideas. We will be extending our writing using conjunctions such as, 'and' 'as' 'but' 'because'. We will begin to write for different purposes, including writing narratives, instructions and descriptions.



DT

In DT, the children will design and make their own windchimes! They'll explore how the wind makes sound, choose suitable materials, and test different designs to see which make the best chime. This project will help develop their understanding of sound, structure, and materials.



Our Topic this term is:

Wonderful weather



Maths

Our focus this term in Maths is place value.

Year 1's will be learning to:

- Compare and order numbers to 20.
- Find one more and one less.
- Count forwards and backwards in tens from 20 to 100 and spot patterns crossing the tens boundary.
- Compare numbers using more than, less than and equal too.
- Use part-part whole models to partition numbers.

Year 2's will be learning to:

- Use a number line to position and estimate the numbers 20-99.
- Solve problems involving multiples of ten.
- Compare 2-digit numbers, using more than, less than and equal too.
- Recall the doubles within 10.
- Know the number bonds to ten and use these to solve problems.

Science

In Science, the children will be learning all about living things and their habitats. Finding out about different animals and how they are adapted to the environment they live in. They will understand the difference between things that are living, dead and have never been alive.



PE

In PE children will be exploring dance based around our topic of Wonderful Weather. They will be creating their own dances using contrast and mirroring.

They will also be practising invasion games. Learning how to pass a ball and travel in game situations.

Our PE days are:

Pufflings- Thursday and Friday

Cygnets- Wednesday and Thursday

Homework

Homework will be sent home on a **Monday**, and children should return it to school by the **following Monday**.

Your children will be bringing home a book linked to their Phonics phase every **Friday**, which they will have read 3 times in school with an adult. Please spend time listening to your child read over the weekend and ensure the book comes back to school **every Monday**.

Ideas for home learning

- Talk about the weather every day and use words to describe it. You could watch the weather forecast together!
- Go on an Autumn walk- what seasonal changes can you see?
- Create your own habitat for an animal of your choice.
- Watch an episode of David Attenborough's Planet Earth!

