

Hedgehogs Class Summer Newsletter 2021-2022

Topic



In Term 5, our topic will be **Africa and Safari.**

In Term 6, our topic will be **Pirates.**



Welcome Back!

Welcome back Hedgehogs! I really hope you had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed some of the lovely weather with friends and family.

Now we are entering Term 5, this newsletter will give you an overview of our learning for this and next term.

Phonics

Children will have Phonics lessons every day as usual. They will continue to develop their knowledge of different grapheme-phoneme correspondences and we will be applying them in other lessons. Year 2 children that no longer attend Phonics lessons will instead attend SPaG and writing lessons, where they will build on their SPaG knowledge and develop a piece of quality writing.

Geography

We will be looking at the oceans and continents of the world, building on our locational knowledge and comparing different places.



Maths

Year 1 -

This term in maths, Year 1 will be learning about weight and volume, multiplication and division and fractions. In Term 6, we will be covering geometry, place value, money and time. Year 1 will be using real life examples and manipulatives to support their learning and to link it to real life.

Year 2 -

For the summer terms in Year 2, we will be building on our multiplication and division knowledge and also learn about fractions, measurement and geometry - looking at 2D and 3D shapes. Year 2 will also be using real life examples and manipulatives to support their learning and make links to real life.



History

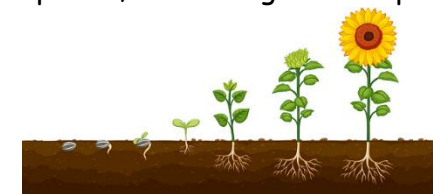
During our Pirates Topic, we will be looking into the lives of the famous pirates **Blackbeard** and **Anne Bonny**.

We will also be learning about the pirates of today, such as the Somali pirates, as well as other pirates from the past and present from all over the world.



Science

Our focus for the term is **Plants**, where we will be looking at the names and structure of different plants, describing and comparing these.



English

We will be looking at different texts related to our Topics during the summer terms.

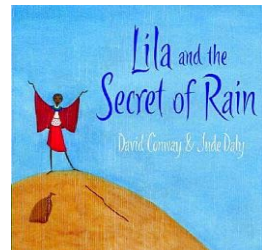
Term 5

Lila and the Secret of Rain is a story highlighting the impact that extreme weather conditions can have on people's lives around the world. We will be writing a diary entry in the role of Lila - a girl who lives in a Kenyan village experiencing a dry spell.

Meerkat Mail is another book we will read this term. We will be writing a postcard from Sonny to his family back at home.

Term 6

The Pirates Next Door is a book We will be covering in Term 6 during our "Pirates" Topic. The book is about a pirate family moving into a new neighbourhood which we will be using to create instructions of how to be a pirate.



Music

The main themes we will be focussing on in the coming terms will be "Pattern" in Term 5, where we will be noticing and creating patterns with beats, and "Water" in Term 6, where we will be exploring pitch and what impacts it.



PSHE

Our topics during the Summer terms will be "Who helps to keep us safe?" and "How can we look after each other and the world?". These topics will help give us an insight as to who has a duty to protect us in society, and also help us to understand the importance of our own role in protecting the planet and what we can do to help it.



PE

In Term 5 we will be focussing on sending and receiving, where we will be working in partners to throw and catch balls and work on our reaction and responses.

In Term 6 we will be exploring health and fitness, Where we will be discussing how our bodies feel before and after exercise, and building on our agility and static balance through chasing balls and balancing on the floor.



Homework

Monday - Spellings will be sent home

Wednesday - Maths and English homework sent home
- Maths and English homework due in

Daily - reading should be regular **at least 5 sessions a week**



Art

We will be creating our own watercolour paintings in the style of American artist Virginia Hood, building on our shading skills. We will also be creating pastel artwork where we will be basing our art on seascapes.



Design and Technology

This term in DT, we will be making smoothies, discussing the nutritional value of each ingredient and where each ingredient comes from.



Computing

For this term in computing, we will be learning how to create animations. We will also be applying skills to save, edit and open work to accomplish this.



Information

Monday - A new reading book will be sent home for everyone. This will be a reading for pleasure book chosen by the children themselves from the library or our amazing reading corner. This will be for you to read together at home. If your child is on the Little Wandle Reading scheme, a new eBook will be uploaded every Friday for them to read to you at home. If they are not part of the Little Wandle Reading scheme, they will receive an additional reading book to take home which will be for the children to read to you at home.

- Miss Richardson is teaching Hedgehogs.

-PE is on Monday - please come into school in your PE kits

Wednesday - Homework due in

Friday - Spelling test

