

Y2 Autumn Term 1 Curriculum Map



Our focus book this term is:

Meerkat Mail

Sunny the meerkat lives with his enormous family in the Kalahari desert. One day Sunny goes to visit his mongoose cousins. But from the watery world of the Marsh Mongoose to the nocturnal lifestyle of the Malagasy Mongoose, Sunny just doesn't fit in. And what's that shadowy figure that seems to be following him around?

Literacy

Write fact files about different animals that live in the Kalahari desert.
Write a postcard in the character of Sunny.
Write a book review.
Write a letter to the Jackal.
Write a story in the character of Sunny.
Write a simple poem about Autumn.

Science – Living Things and Their Habitats

Key Knowledge and Skills to learn:

To learn about the 7 life processes.
To know that things are living, dead or have never been alive.
To learn about the school habitat, looking at different plants and animals within the school grounds.
To find out about some of the animals and habitats of Kenya.
To describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.

History—Space Travel

Key Knowledge and Skills to learn:

To recall events in our lifetime and order them on a timeline.
To understand why Neil Armstrong will always be remembered.
To recount the first moon landing.
To create a timeline setting out the history of space exploration.
To find out facts about Mae Jemison.
To recap Tim Peaks' time on the international space station

Art—Chris Ofili

Key Knowledge and Skills to learn:

To learn about the artist Chris Ofili and explore some of his artwork.
To explore the art of mark making using pencil, pen, charcoal
To use pencils and pens to create simple repeating patterns.
To explore the technique of marbling
To explore creating simple patterns using collage
To create a final art piece by layering collage shapes and patterns onto marbled background.

RE—The Lord's Prayer

How do we talk to our friends?
What do we *need* to live?
Why do we forgive, and why do we need forgiveness?
How do Christians believe the Lord's Prayer helps them?
Why do Christians believe they should praise God?
What does the Lord's Prayer mean to Christians?

Computing

Internet Safety Lesson - To understand that the information we put on line leaves a digital footprint.

Word Processing:

To be able to type on a keyboard.
To be able to type symbols and save files.
To be able to edit text.
To be able to select and format text.

Core Learning Skills

Learning with Others

PSHE – Healthy Bodies and Minds

To be able to use emotion words to describe how we or other people are feeling.
To explain how medicines help us and how we use them safely.
To be able to describe some of the signs that shows that someone is feeling poorly in their body or mind.

Maths

U1—Numbers within 100
U2— Addition and Subtraction of 2-digit numbers
U3—Addition and Subtraction Word Problems

Reading

A range of guided reading books related to our topics: deserts, living things, space

Homework

Find out about a range of desert animals.
Space related topic work.

Other

Black History Month
Cultural Evening