

Learning in Attenborough Class
Autumn 2020
Topic: Saving our World



In Science we will be...

- Learning about different types of animals and their habitats.
- Finding out whether an animal is a carnivore, omnivore or a herbivore.
- Learning about plants and trees and naming the different parts

In Geography we will be...

- Learning about the continents and oceans of the world and their names.
- Learning about the hot and cold parts of the world and the weather in these places.
- Looking at different maps and learning to understand these.

In Art and Design we will be...

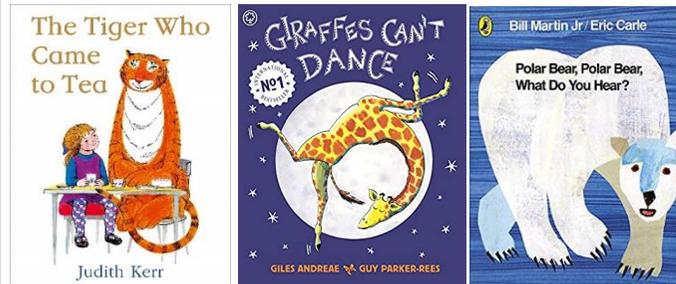
- Developing our art skills by practicing careful drawing, sewing, clay moulding, colour mixing and paint brush skills.
- Creating some African sunset paintings by using our watercolour painting and careful cutting skills.

In Design and Technology we will be...

- Learning to create models with moving parts using axels and pulleys.
- Learning to join materials in different ways and use papier-mâché to create polar bear masks.

In English we will be...

Learning to love these books this term:



Phonics and Spelling

We will be revisiting phase 3 sounds initially and will begin phase 4 of our phonics programme. We will also be practising blending sounds to read and segmenting words to spell.

Attached to this overview is a phonics information pack for parents. This will help give you an idea of the sounds we learn and how we learn them. If you have any questions about phonics and learning to read, then please let me know!

We will be developing our writing skills by:

- Leaving spaces between words
- Sounding out words when spelling
- Punctuating sentences using a capital letter and a full stop
- Using a capital letter for I and names
- Joining words and clauses with and because.

In Maths we will be...

Practising our place value skills for numbers up to ten. We will be making these numbers, practising our number formation, finding one more and one less and identifying which numbers are greater and which are smaller.

We will also be learning to add and subtract numbers to 10 using practical resources and looking at strategies to help us to learn some of these facts.

Children will also be using their mathematics skills in our classroom areas when measuring and pouring in the water area, building and measuring models in the construction area and practicing what they have learned in the maths area. This will also give them the opportunity to develop skills in logic and critical thinking as they solve problems and create new ideas in their independent learning time.

Learning at home

Please could you aim to read with your child 3 times a week? Books will be sent home on a Monday to be returned on Thursday. Another set will be sent home on Thursday and should be returned on Monday. These will then be quarantined at school before being sent out with any other children.

Your child will be sent home with a list of the year 1 spelling words to learn. Whilst we do not do any formal spelling tests in year 1, it is a good idea to practise a few of these each week.

With this pack, you will have received a half termly maths practise sheet. This has some number facts for your child to practise at home. Children find mathematics much easier if they can recall their number facts quickly so practising these each week with your child will really help with the work completed in class.

Your child's 'Teach your monster to read' login has been sent home today as a paper copy. This is a great game for the ipad or computer that helps children to practise the year 1 phonics skills in a fun way. The PC version is free but there is a small charge for the app at home.



As children of St Barnabas we will be...

Remembering to follow our school rules of Ready, Respectful and Safe and showing others how they can follow these too. We will also be learning about our values of Courage, Creativity and Compassion.



We are so looking forward to this term and all the amazing things Year 1 will achieve this year! As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please let us know via Class Dojo. This is a very difficult and strange time for all of us and we feel privileged to be able to help your child to laugh, learn and grow!

Miss Denley, Mrs Murrie and the KS1 and EYFS team.

In R.E we will be discovering...

In R.E this term we will be looking at what it is like to belong to a faith community. We will investigate this through art, discussion, music and writing. Towards December, we will begin to look at Christmas and why it matters to Christians. This will be taught by Mrs Lennon on a Thursday afternoon.



In P.E we will be learning...

Hockey skills. P.E will be taught on a Thursday this half term. Please can you send your child to school in their P.E kit with some warm layers as PE will be outside unless it is raining.



On Muddy Monday we will be...

Learning how to be safe outside in our forestry area. We will be creating art using things found in nature, looking at, using and creating maps and building dens. Please remember to bring in your wellies or sensible shoes on Mondays and also some warm clothes as we will be out whatever the weather!

