

# EYFS Half Termly Curriculum Overview Spring 2 Term 2021- 22 Topics: 'Animals'



Below are some of the main learning objectives from the Foundation Stage curriculum that we will begin to cover and assess.

## Literacy

#### **Phonics**

- We will complete phase 3 phonics in the first week and use the rest of the term to recap any sounds that the children have found difficult.
- We will be focussing on developing their sentences and using their phonics to read and write bigger (polysyllabic) words

Phonics will continue to be taught every day.

Below are the Phase 2 and 3 phonic sounds; please go over these with your child daily.

Phase 2 -

s, a, t, p i, n, m, d g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, r h, b, f, ff, l, ll, ss TW/HFW- the, to, no, go, I, he, she, we, me, be

Phase 3 sounds;

j, v, w,  $\times$ , y, z, zz, qu, ch, sh, th, ng, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, er

TW/ HFW- was/ you/ they/ her/ all/ are/ my

Children will also be learning the trigraphs - ear, air, ure

We will be reconsolidating all taught sounds and beginning to teach 2 syllable words.

#### Communication and Language

- -We will be discussing a range of stories related to the topic such as Dear Zoo, Giraffe's Can't Dance, Rumble in the Jungle, Monkey Puzzle and Handa's Surprise.
- -Children will have the opportunity to ask questions, retell stories and use drama to act out main events.

### Reading

# Children will;

- -match captions with pictures
- -read longer sentences and talk about content
- -begin discussing use of speech marks
- -create character voices/ expressions
- -create alternate endings

### Writing

#### Children will;

- -Segment and blend when writing simple words
- -try to write captions/ simple sentences
- -use connectives in sentences
- -use phase 3 sounds in writing
- -using adjectives in sentences
- \*The above may be modified depending on children's misconceptions.

## **Mathematics**

Alongside structured teaching, children will have the opportunity to access a range of maths activities and games independently. These activities will focus on the following:

### Number

- beginning to find different ways of making 10
- forming numbers correctly
- using different methods to add and subtract to 10
- beginning to add and subtract by counting forwards and backwards
- comparing groups and amounts to 10
- beginning to understand place value

We will continue to recap the above as this will help children master the different strategies that have been taught.

#### Shape, space and measure

- identifying 2d and 3d shapes
- describing 2d and 3d shapes
- identifying shapes in our environment
- comparisons between shapes

### Using & Applying

Children will be accessing these objectives through child initiated activities and adult directed activities.

We encourage parents and carers to support their children through fun and interactive activities rather than worksheets.

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Focus:

## Understanding the world

In line with our topic, children will be focusing on Animals.

Children will also:

- -explore differences in animals
- -research facts about their favourite animals
- -talk about their habitats
- -explore the environment they live in
- -talk about favourite animals
- -have the opportunity to create animal pictures using ICT tools
- discuss how environments vary
- design our own environment and research ways of keeping the environment healthy.
- -read the Easter story and talk about other celebrations
- discuss similarities and differences

# Personal, Social & Emotional development

Children will be encouraged to;

-working in groups to carry out activities and share ideas

Children will have the opportunity to explore; Integrity
-Go over scenarios at school where we can show integrity
-we will discuss the meaning of integrity (showing honesty and

Philosophy religion and ethics education

-develop confidence to try working on different tables

### Wellbeing:

telling the truth)

- Discussing our feelings
- Managing our feelings and finding different ways to calm ourselves
- Mindfulness

## Expressive Arts and Design

Children will have the opportunity to:

- create animal movements
- create animals dances
- recreate dances from Giraffe's Can't Dance
- explore a range of media (paint/ chalk/ collage)
- create props for our role play
- use drama to act out stories
- play with musical instruments
- sing a range of animal songs/ rhymes

(many of the dance and movement activities will be incorporated in our PE sessions)

# Health and Well-Being

# Physical development

## Moving and Handling

Focus will be on:

- -holding a pencil correctly
- -hand and eye coordination
- -forming recognisable letters and numbers
- -we will be focusing on our aiming skills.
- -over arm and under arm throwing
- -hitting/batting a ball
- -obstacle courses involving travelling through/ over and under PE
- -developing Gross Motor Skills

#### Health and Self Care

Focus will be on;

- -exploring importance of recycling
- -health and hygiene
- -discussing why it is important to stay hygienic

Regards

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