



Half Term Curriculum Overview

Where are the world's hot and cold places?

English

In English we will be reading a book called Meerkat Mail (by Emily Gravett). We will use this book as a hook to learn how to write post cards and children will write a postcard on behalf of Sunny from a day that he's spent in Keighley. Year 1 will continue to practice using capital letters (including for proper nouns) and adjectives. Year 2 will be revisiting all areas of the Year 2 SPAG objectives with a focus on conjunctions and time adverbials.

Art

In art we will be learning new skills for line drawing. Our final piece will be drawing a meerkat to link to our English book. We will spend time on pencil control skills, adding detail, drawing a cartoon illustration of a meerkat by following instructions and finally creating a representation of a meerkat.

Mathematics

Year 1-

In **Maths** this half term we will be very busy learning about mass and volume, measuring length and height and time. We will look at o'clock and half past. Lots of our learning this half term will be hands on a practical.

Year 2

In **Maths** this half term we will be finishing off our fractions topic and will be learning how to count in fractions to make a whole. We will then be learning about time and how to tell time. We will look at o'clock, half past, quarter past, quarter to, counting in five minutes and learning how many minutes are in an hour and how many hours are in a day.

Geography

Our big question is 'Where are the world's hot and cold places?' We will be comparing Africa to Antarctica – finding out where both are located (in relation to the equator), what the weather is like and who lives there. We will compare this to the UK.

Physical Education

In PE this half term we will be learning about dance skills and

RSE

In RSE both year 1 and 2 are exploring being safe. Year 2 will dig deeper and explore that their body belongs to them. Year 1 will explore privacy and why it is important.

Music

Friendship – This is a song about being friends. Children will have opportunities to sing the song and play instruments over it.



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Science

Our topic this half term is living things and their habitats. We will explore how we know if something is alive, we will be researching Botswana and finding out about the amazing animals that live there! We will look at these animals closely by creating fact files and sharing our research with peers. We will be researching the Antarctica and finding out what amazing animals live there! We will then be comparing the animals and their habitats and looking at how the animals are suited to their different habitats. We will also be looking at life cycles of the animals we research.

Computing

Digital writing – Children will be developing their understanding of the various aspects of using a computer to create and change text. They will familiarise themselves with typing on a keyboard and begin using tools to change the look of their writing, and then they will consider the differences between using a computer and writing on paper to create text.

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