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| Gusford Primary School  Curriculum Information - Spring 2 | Year 1  Animals  The UK |

This half term Year 1 will be learning about animals and the UK as our main learning topics. During this time, we will also be learning through some independent activities in the classroom, promoting communication, and working together.

**Maths**

**We will spend time investigating the following subject area through our mastery approach to mathematics: Place value within**

**50. This will include counting forwards and backwards within 50, counting one more and one less and comparing and ordering**

**Numbers as well as length, height, mass and volume.**

**We will also focus on developing our reasoning skills and depth of knowledge in these key areas.**

**English**

**We will be following ‘Little Wandle’ for daily Phonics and reading.**

**We will be reading the chapter book ‘A bear called Paddington’ by Michael Bond and will be discussing vocabulary within the text.**

**PSHE**

**As part of our PSHE learning our focus will be ‘Living in the Wider World’. Within the unit we will be looking at ‘Media Literacy and Digital Resilience’ and ‘Money and Work’. These units will teach using the internet and digital devices; communicating online and** **where money comes from; how to use money - saving and spending money.**

**Science**

**As scientists, the children will learn about animals. During this learning, we will be exploring what animals are, their structure, their food and animal group, looking at the characteristics that make these groups.**

**We will also explore life cycles of different animals and discuss how we can look after them.**

**P.E**

**In PE this term, we will be focusing on gymnastics, where we will explore and develop basic gymnastic actions on the floor and using low apparatus. We will use the skills to create movement phrases.**

**In our striking and fielding lessons we will develop their basic understanding of striking and fielding games such as rounders and cricket. They learn skills including throwing and catching, stopping a rolling ball, retrieving a ball and striking a ball.**

**Computing**

**This half term we will programming bee-bots,**

**introducing programming through the use of a Bee-Bot and exploring its functions. We will learn about directions and using hardware.**

**DT**

**This half term, we will be making a moving story book. We will learn that a mechanism is the parts of an object that move together. A slider mechanism moves an object from side to side. We will know that a slider mechanism has a slider, slots, guides and an object and that bridges and guides are bits of card that purposefully restrict the movement of the slider.**

**Geography**

**During this half term, Year 1 will be learning about the UK. Throughout the unit we will be learning to name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. We will also be identifying seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom.**

**Music**

**In music, we will explore the unit ‘Round and Round’, learning about different styles of music.**

**We will cover areas of listening, singing, playing, composing and performing our own music.**

**R.E**

**In our RE learning we will continue our learning about the religion of Christianity. We are learning to know**

**that Jesus is special to**

**Christians and how his**

**welcome on Palm Sunday**

**shows this.**