Class: R Term: Autumn 2020

### **Quest Title: All Creatures Great and Small**

### We Care, We Aspire, We Belong

These words underpin the ethos of our school and the teaching and learning that takes place. We strive to ensure all children care for their community on every level, aspire to be the best they can be and most importantly, develop a strong sense of belonging here at Milverton Community Primary School.

We care by: building friendships, working as a team and finding out about how we can care for our planet.

We aspire by: practising the new skills we have learnt in our own independent learning time.

We belong by: sharing, finding out and celebrating what is special about each of us and our own families.



## To develop our literacy skills we will...

Enjoy sharing a range of stories about animals in different environments from the jungle to the deep blue sea and the farmyard to the little mini -beasts at the bottom of the garden! We will also be looking at lots of information books and using the computer to find out facts about animals and their habitats. We will learn the sounds that many letters make and listen carefully to the sounds we hear in words to help us read and write them. We will be working hard to form our letters correctly.

# To develop our mathematical skills we will...

Learn to solve simple, practical addition and subtraction problems by counting on and back. We will develop our counting and number recognition skills. We will develop our positional and directional language through map work and completing trails through the jungle and around the farmyard. We will develop our understanding of patterns and shapes through animal prints. We will talk about the language of size linked to animals, looking at height / length and weight. We will also solve simple problems involving money to help us buy things for our jungle kitchen or pay to drive the 'safari bikes' around the jungle!

#### To develop our social skills we will...

Work with partners and in small groups to complete challenges. We will think about how animals live and work as a team and use this to solve problems and find our own solutions.

#### To develop our communication skills we will...

We will explore descriptive language to talk about animals and their habitats. We will work with a partner to direct them around the 'jungle' course or follow our maps. We will also begin to share information about ourselves and listen to what others would like to share with us, asking questions to clarify our understanding.

#### To develop our creative skills we will...

Explore musical instruments to see if we can make the different sounds that animals make. We will explore loud and soft sounds and moving to the beat. We will look at different animal patterns and explore with textures to recreate them. We think about the different colours in the various environments that we are finding out about and experiment with colour mixing to look at different shades.

### To develop our Understanding of the World we will...

Explore the World around us and the different environments that animals live in. We will find out about animals, what they need to survive, think about predators and prey and look at camouflage! We will look at maps and globes and draw our own maps of the school grounds. We will explore the school grounds for different animals and their habitats. We will use the computer to find out facts about animals. We will explore the seasonal changes and our school grounds.

### To develop our physical skills we will...

Think about different ways we can move our bodies and how different animals move. We will travel over, under, through and balance when completing 'jungle' challenges and obstacle courses. We will listen carefully to animal music and explore dance and movement to music. We will think about how to stay safe and healthy and strengthen our fine and gross motor skills to develop our writing skills.