

Monkton CEP School

Class 2 - Dragonfly Class Newsletter

'Every child is special'



Welcome to Term 3. This will be an exciting term with a great topic with lots of opportunities for Art and Design and finishing with our class play - There's always one!

Our Creative Curriculum - Paws, Claws and Whiskers

Big cats, small rats, tiny fleas and buzzing bees! This half term, we're going to discover that animals come in all shapes and sizes! Meeting an animal expert will allow us to ask and answer questions, share information about the pets we have at home and write animal information booklets. We'll study animal artwork, draw detailed animal pictures to capture their special features and make collages, sculptures and prints. Famous animal fables will make us laugh, and we will have fun reading them aloud. We'll spot similarities and differences between animals, look at different habitats around the world and investigate camouflage. Designing a zoo is even on the agenda!

English

Linked to Paws, Claws and Whiskers:

Recounts
Fables
Booklets
Lists
Instructions
Nursery rhymes and poems

Core Texts:

The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd
Just so Stories by Rudyard Kipling
Animal Poems compiled by Jennifer Curry

Mathematics

Multiplication and division

Counting in multiples 2,3,4,5,10
Arrays
Multiplication and division sign

Statistics

Block graphs
Tally charts
Pictograms

Shape

2d and 3d shapes and their properties

Science

Linked to Paws, Claws and Whiskers:

Animals including humans with a types of animals, habitats and caring for animals.

Computing

Digital Painting- Learners will develop their understanding of a range of tools used for digital painting. They then use these tools to create their own digital paintings, while gaining inspiration from a range of artists' work. The unit concludes with learners considering their preferences when painting with and without the use of digital devices.

RE

What is the Good news Jesus brings?

PE

The children will be working with our sports coaches and Miss Jenks. They will be looking at Gymnastics and Dance.

PE Day is a Tuesday.

Foundation subjects

Paws, Claws and Whiskers

Design Technology - Designing labels, designing and making animal enclosures

Geography - Using and making maps, describing physical features. Spain will be our focus for Geography week.

Art - Art appreciation, drawing, collage, model making, painting, sculpture, animal masks

Music - Play songs and performance

PSHE - Too much selfie isn't healthy - HeartSmart Scheme

Vocabulary

Below are some words that the children will come across during their learning:

Maths

Array

2D

3D

Pictogram

Block graph

Multiply

Divide

English

Recount

Information

Non-chronological

Fable

Fiction/Non-fiction

Mnemonics

Rhyme

Paws, Claws and Whiskers

Camouflage

Carnivore

Climate

Domestic

Enclosure

Habitat

Herbivore

Markings

Omnivore

Predator

Dates for the diary

Thursday 6th January - Bird wise (in school)