



25th February 2022

Spotlight on Reception

This week we began our 'Animal Kingdom focus and started with the topic of jungle animals. In Literacy we have been using new vocabulary to describe different animals for our friends to guess as well as asking different questions to work out the animals our friends are thinking of. We have also been writing sentences this week about what jungle animals we can see; we were able to read each other's sentences and talk about the different animals we spotted. The children have also been engaging in non-fiction texts about jungle animals and have discussed what a non-fiction book is and its different features. We were able to learn lots of information about tigers and elephants. After reading our non-fiction texts we were able to share lots of information and facts about these animals!





In our topic sessions we have been learning about the Rainforest, we learnt that there are four layers to the rainforest and discussed which animals were on each layer. We also learnt about how different animals can camouflage themselves and what this meant. We performed our own experiment to see which of our jungle animals would be the best and worst at camouflaging themselves in our field. We made predictions and provided reasoning for this. We then had a go at camouflaging different animals around our classroom using different materials/backgrounds.











Message from Headteacher

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

<u>Spring Update letter</u> – I have sent a letter to all families today with updates through the spring term.

Fencing and Gates Update

The fencing contractors will continue to finish the fencing and gated access over the next week. The main pedestrian access gate is not finish to the correct automation and will be replaced soon. Please be understanding whilst this work continues.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher



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Curriculum News

Nursery In Nursery we have a zoo! We have working together to build enclosures for the different animals and exploring their differences using lots of mathematical language to describe them. Some children have used their knowledge to draw detailed pictures depicting the animals. We have been reading the story 'Zoo vet' together and have learnt about the important job that a vet has, we have been helping to look after the animals in our zoo. **Stars of the week: Charlie J, Sam D and Yasmine S.**

Reception Please see this week's 'Spotlight'.

Year 1 What a busy first week back we have had this week in Year 1. We started our new English topic 'Fantasy Stories' and introduced the story of 'No-Bot the Robot with no bottom'. The children have absolutely loved reading this story. They have wrote about the characters feelings using adjectives, the setting and also predicted what will happen next. In maths we have been busy looking at height and length using the language 'shorter, taller, longest and shortest'.

Year 2 Welcome back to school! We hope that all of the Year 2 children and families had a wonderful break. It was so lovely to welcome them back to school on Monday to begin their new theme of 'Animal Kingdom.' This week we have been reading the story of Plop the owl, who is afraid of the dark! You will be hearing lots more about his adventures over the coming weeks. The children have also been exploring animal patterns in their Art sessions and made some amazing collages! In Science, they have also been learning about how, where and why animals create their own habitats.

Year 3 A great first week back beginning our topic of Animal Kingdom. This term we'll be working hard on novels and poetry in English and looking at endangered animals in our world. We're also looking forward to World Book Day next week.

Year 4 It has been a very exciting start to the half term as year 4 started the 'With You Always' Programme in order to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and their First Communion. The children enjoyed learning about Baptism and discussing their previous experiences.

Year 5 The children have begun to learn about the Amazon Rainforest. This has already got them discussing the effects of deforestation and the need to do their part to help through recycling and reusing materials.

Year 6 In Year 6 we have been practicing our writing skills using different genres. In Maths we have been focusing on problem solving and reasoning including perimeter and volume.





Our Award Winners!

Star of the Week Mission Statement

Penelope S Bella H

Matthew H Annie M

Thomas H Clara L

Isla K Abigail C

Jaime W Sophie A

Rian G Joni M

Lola O Mia B

Poppie O Alfred M C

Max S Joshua D

Mia L Laney B G

Luna J Cianan G

Shane Mc Noah S

Dillon H Franklin B

Harry E Isabella A





Key Messages

Covid19

Dr Karunanithi, who is Lancashire's Director of Public Health, has issued guidance for schools when managing Covid. Control measures that schools are to continue which are:

Good hygiene for everyone

Maintaining appropriate cleaning regimes

Keep occupied spaces well ventilated

Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing positive cases

St Anne's Church Bulletin

The Bulletin is available on the Church website: <u>stannes-ormskirk.org.uk</u>

A link is available at the bottom of every page on our school website also.