

St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

Year 4 Knowledge Organiser

'Animal Kingdom'

"Loving God In All We Do."



The 'Animal Kingdom' topic is about ...

The children will be learning about 'Living things and their Habitats' through our English and Science topics. The topic will focus on many different animals and their habitats. There will be opportunities for extensive research on a chosen animal and creation of an information booklet using facts and knowledge learnt. The second English topic is based on 'The Eye of the Wolf' which tells the stories of the dangers that humans impose on animals. In PSHE, the importance of looking after an animal will also be taught through Freddie who is a Cavapoo.

Prior learning

- Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.
- Compare and contrast and begin to consider the relationships between skeletons of humans and other animals
- Identifying and classifying- Record similarities and differences

Our current learning

- How to recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.
- Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment.
- Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.
- How to use and make identification keys for plants and animals
- Make decisions about which information to use from a wide range of sources and make decisions about how to present

Vocabulary

RE— Communion, community, giving, receiving, Liturgy of the Word, Penitential Act, Lamb of God, Concluding Rite, Sign of Peace, Introductory Rite, Eucharist, Communion Rite.

Art and Design— Sculpture, mark making, expressive drawing, observational, natural materials, constructional materials, 2D, 3D, invention.

Computing -Animations, average, bar chart, collaboration, comment, contribution, data edited, email account, format, freeze, icon, images, insert.

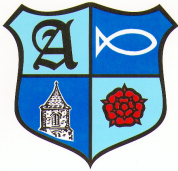
MFL—il fait beau, il fait mauvais, il fait chaud, il fait froid, il pleut, il neige, il y a du soleil, il y a du vent, le nord, le sud, l'est, l'ouest

Music-Music notation, staff notation, tuned percussion, staff / stave, treble clef, lines, spaces, crotchet.

PSHE – Responsibility, pet owners, staying safe,

Science

Habitats, survival, environment, lands, terrain, animals, home, living things, classification, vertebrates, invertebrates, flowering plants, non-flowering plants, ecosystem,



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RE This half term, the children will work through the Giving and Receiving topic which is linked with taking the Eucharist and how we as Christians are given an invitation to know Jesus, live in communion with him and with one another.

The next topic will be Self—Discipline where the children will explore that self-discipline is important, and celebrate the growth to new-life through self-discipline. Over the half term, the children will work through the 'With You Always' Sacramental Programme preparing them for making their First Holy Communion.

Wider curriculum learning

In Art, the children will create a sculpture of a bird's nest using a variety of natural resources and based on the work of sculpture Marcus Coates.

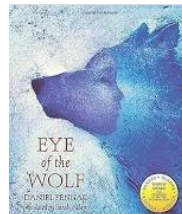
In Computing, the children will use online software for documents, presentations, forms and spreadsheets and using software to work collaboratively with others.

In French, the weather and compass directions will be taught.

We are going to read a range of texts from

The Eye of the Wolf by Daniel Pennac.

A variety of non fiction books about habitats.



Key dates for this half-term

Term dates— Monday 19th February—Thursday 28th March 2024

PE Days— **Class 9** – Monday and Friday **Class 10**– Monday and Tuesday

Parents Evening—Monday 11th March and Thursday 14th March 2024

Sacrament of Reconciliation –Date to be confirmed by Father Godric.