

**St. Anne's Catholic Primary School**

**Year 4 Knowledge Organiser**

**'Animal Kingdom'**

*"Loving God In All We Do."*



### **The 'Animal Kingdom' theme is about ...**

The children will be learning about 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 importance of looking after an animal will also be taught through Freddie who is a Cavapoo.

### **What we already know...**

Polar bears live in the Arctic and they are dying due to the ice melting.

Polar bears eat seals .

Penguins live in the Antarctic.

Whales are hunted by indigenous people.

There are many different types of animals.

### **By the end of the theme we will know :**

- 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 their research.
- Suggest their own ideas on a concept and compare these with what they observe / find out.
- Use observations to suggest what to do next.

### **Vocabulary**

#### **Science**

Habitats, survival, environment, lands, terrain, animals, home, living things, classification,

#### **Geography**

Recycling, rubbish, environment, saving the planet, decomposing. Climate change

#### **Design Technology**

Materials, environment, adaptation, study, strength, experiment, structure

#### **Art**

Portrait, shading, position, colour, tools, materials, techniques



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### **Wider curriculum learning**

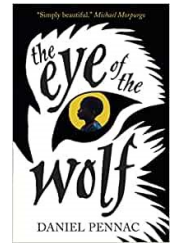
In Design Technology, the children will be planning, designing and creating a bird box. In our Art lessons, we will be experimenting with various shading techniques to create a portrait of a wolf. Our Geography focus for this half-term is all about rubbish and recycling.

Over the next few half terms, the children will prepare for making their Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

### **We are going to read**

Non-Fiction Texts—Habitats

'The Eye of the Wolf' by Daniel Pennac



### **Let's try this at home**

Go on a Mini-beast hunt

Watch a nature programme linked to animals of the world.

Find out information about Cavapoo dogs to have more of an understanding about Freddie who is joining our Year 4 family.

### **Key dates for this half-term**

Term dates: Monday, 20th February—Friday, 31st March

Ash Wednesday Services—Wednesday, 22nd February (in school)

Lent Mass—Friday, 3rd March

Parents' Evening—Monday, 13th March & Thursday, 16th March

P.E will continue to be Mondays and Thursdays. Please come in your P.E kit.

Freddie visits will start after 28th February

Sacrament of Reconciliation— Friday 24th March