



Year 1

Summer 1

Newsletter



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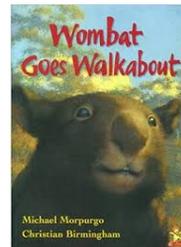
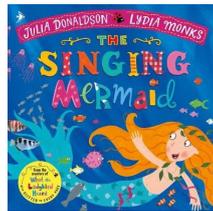
We hope you have had a nice Easter break. We would like to thank you again for your continued support.

We have an exciting Summer Term planned for Year 1. Our theme this term will be 'Animals'. We are looking forward to the challenges of the coming term and having fun while learning lots as well. As always, if you have any questions please just ask one of the team.

English

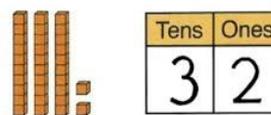
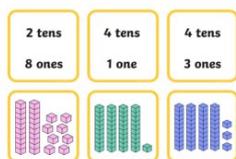
This half-term we will be focusing on our new topic 'Animals'. We will be looking at a range of fiction texts including *The Singing Mermaid* and *Wombat Goes Walkabout*, as well as a range of non-fiction texts about Australian animals and African animals.

To write effective sentences, we will be concentrating on simple punctuation, sharing ideas through talk partners and jotting ideas together first. We will be writing stories and towards the end of the half term, we will build up to writing our own 'Safari journey' where we will include lots of interesting adjectives, feelings, repetition, dialog and conjunctions.'



Maths

For the first week in maths we will be revisiting place value but this time we will be focusing on numbers up to 100. The children will learn how to partition the numbers in to tens and ones, compare and order numbers to 100.



For our continued addition and subtraction learning, we will add and subtract one and two digit numbers, practise our recall of number bond facts and solve missing number calculations.

We will also be looking at multiplication and division. We will use stories, pictures and concrete manipulatives to explore making equal groups and write statements such as 'there are ___ groups of ___.' They will identify whether groups are equal or not. We will also use equal groups to find a total. We will focus on counting equal groups of 2, 5 and 10 and explore this within 50. We will begin to make arrays by making equal groups and building them up in columns or rows. We will explore sharing practically by using 1:1 correspondence. To begin with, we will need to represent the groups they are sharing into with a physical object or a pictorial representation. For example, share the 12 balls between the two buckets. Share the 12 dots between the two circles.

As part of time learning we will learn where the hour and minute hand are on a clock for o'clock and half past, compare intervals of time and solve time word problems.

RWI and Spelling

They will be reviewing their sounds and learning new ones that they may have not come across before. They will have a daily session which will consist of daily reading and writing of words. During their daily Guided Reading session, children will have the opportunity to read, share, discuss and respond to a core text.



Science

During this term we are focusing our Science learning on Animals which will also include Humans. We will be learning all about our body parts, investigating and experimenting with our 5 senses and then moving onto the different types and groups of animals. The children will be sorting and grouping common animals and also learning the vocabulary associated with Herbivores, Carnivores and Omnivores. This will be an exciting topic as the children enjoy learning about animals.

Art

During this term we are focusing our Art learning on the famous French artist Henri Rousseau. He is most famous for his painting called Tiger in a Tropical storm. We are going to be focusing our skills on chalk painting as that's how Henri Rousseau added colour to his drawings. The children will be experimenting with chalks as well as different coloured chalks. They will be using a wild animal picture as their stimulus and having a go at drawing their favourite wild animal. They will then be able to use coloured chalks to add colour to their drawing and give it some texture. We are hoping the children will enjoy this topic as the concept of chalk painting will be new to them.



PSHE

This half term we will be focusing on Health and Wellbeing. The children will learn the importance of washing their hand, how to destroy germs and understand how germs can spread infections and diseases. The importance of healthy eating, where fruits and vegetables grow and recognising which foods are healthy and which foods are unhealthy. The children will understand the need for physical activity to keep healthy and the benefits of different physical activities for promoting health. We will then move on to recognising the similarities and differences between people and respect each other. As it is summer we will learn the importance of sun safety and how to keep safe in the sun. Finally the children will learn to understand road safety, they will develop an awareness of the Green Cross Code and demonstrate basic road safety skills.

Computing

This half term in Computing we will be focusing on 'Purple Mash'. Purple Mash is a creative online space from 2Simple. Purple Mash hosts an exciting mash-up of curriculum focused activities, creative tools, programs and games to support and inspire creative learning every day. Each user receives an individual login to save and retrieve their work. This half-term we will be leaning how to log in and out of Purple Mash, they will learn how to make and fill different shapes and know how to change the fill and border colour of shapes using 2paint. They will know also know how to vary the thickness of the pen tool and manipulate the pen tool to create different effects using 2paint.

Geography

As part of our geography learning will be building on our skills we learnt last term by exploring the oceans. The children will learn about the seas surrounding the UK and the wildlife that lives in our seas. We will develop our mapping skills by exploring compasses and using symbols and keys. By using globes and atlases we will identify and locate the 5 oceans whilst also discovering which creatures prefer the different temperatures of our amazing oceans.

PE & Games

For the whole of Summer Term staff from Bushfield will be delivering PE and Games for the Year One children. In PE the children will be focusing on 'Athletics' and in Games they will be looking at 'Striking and fielding'. The children have PE on a **Tuesday**—please leave their kit in school

Music

During this half term, the children will develop an understanding of pitch using movement, voice and instruments. They will identify contrasts of high and low pitches and create animal chant sounds and sequences. The children will also gain an understanding of metre— groups of steady beats— through counting, body percussion and reading scores.

Homework

Reading

We ask that children read each day for 10 minutes. Each child in Year 1 will be issued with a level-appropriate reading book provided by school. It really helps their progress if they are heard regularly at home and we would be grateful if you could sign their Personal Log each time you hear them.

Spelling

The children will be set a new spelling list once a week. Their new lists will be stuck into their reading records. The children will be tested on their spellings the next week on Friday. We find that a few minutes practise everyday really helps the children to learn and remember their spelling patterns.

Upcoming Events in

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