

Year 1 - Week Commencing 2nd October 2017

Maths

We will be focussing on addition and subtraction this week after introducing it last week. The children are very good at adding smaller numbers using their fingers so this week we will move on to using a number line and counting on, along with counting back to subtract. We will be solving problems using + and - and = using missing number sentences such as: $4 + \dots = 10$ or $\dots = 3 + 5$. We will be revisiting number bonds to 10.

English

We will be learning all about cheetahs this week and learning how to make notes. We will be working in groups and choosing a group animal to discuss and ask questions about. We will then research this animal for homework. We will be labelling a cheetah and learning about why its body is good for speed. We will be having Guided Reading every day and continue with 1:1 reading and group phonics.

Theme

We will be creating our own 'small world' rainforest and desert in Science / Geography this week - through play! We will be learning specific vocabulary to describe animals - claws, feathers, talons, scales, camouflage, carnivore, omnivore, herbivore...and more. In Art, we will create a 2D observational drawing of an animal to be later developed into a 3D model. In R.E, we will continue our learning about Harvest. We will continue our 'Hey You' song in Music. In P.E, we are practising throwing and catching and playing a game linked with this.

Extras

French will be on Friday. PE will be on Thursday and Friday. **Please remember that long hair should be tied back and earrings/other jewellery should not be worn.** My PPA time will be on Thursday afternoon this week. Miss Burn will be teaching on Thursday afternoon and all day Friday, along with Mrs Greenwood.

Homework Challenge: *Later in the week, children will be bringing home a task - to find out more about a chosen animal. They will be working in groups to choose and ask questions about their animal first. In the meantime, please use Active Learn where I have allocated more work. I have also discovered a great website for PHONICS where you can sign up for free and create an account with monsters and fun - called 'Teach your monster to read'. Have a look and let me know what you think! Also, if you use You Tube, have a look at Alphablocks - little phonics characters that my own son loves and it helps with practising phonics in a fun way.*

Phonics Focus

This week: Miss Burn's group will be continuing Phase 5 (alternative representations of digraphs) & Mrs Boon's group will focus on digraphs and trigraphs from Phase 3 (igh, er, ow, oi). Spellings will be given out on Monday and should be practised for Friday's spelling test. Our 'Word of the Week' is **the**.