

Mallard Class - Summer Term 2024

Developing our drawing skills.

Listening to Carnival of the Animals by Saint Saens and creating our own animal music.

Exploring special times in our life and those experienced by people of different faiths.

Learning about Mary Anning and her discoveries

Creating moving pictures using paper and card.

Programming the Beebots to move from one place to another.

Consolidating our work on the British Isles and learning the names of the seas around us.

Learning about plants and growing some ourselves

Learning about different types of animals and their structures.

Exploring prayer

Making our own 3D sculptures based on the work of Andy Goldsworthy

Learning about what animals need to stay alive.

Our Topics form the basis of our learning across the curriculum and provide a starting point for our experiences.
This term our topic will be

All Creatures Great and Small

and we will be...



English

Reception will continue to become more confident and accurate when using their phonics skills to read and write, becoming more independent during this final term.

Year 1 will continue to develop their independent reading and writing skills, developing the length of the texts they are reading and writing, adapting stories and non-fiction texts to create their own versions.

We will explore a range of texts together including stories about animals and non-fiction texts.

Maths

All children will undertake practical activities that continue to support their developing understanding of numbers and place value. We will develop recall of number facts and use these to solve problems.

Year 1 will develop their calculation strategies and begin to look for patterns and relationships to help them explain their thinking. They will develop their understanding of place value and how to use this in a range of situations. We will begin to explore multiplication and division.

Other information

The children will visit the school Library on a Monday. Books can be returned to school at any point during the week and kept safe until the following week.

PE will be on a Monday this term. Children should come to school in their PE kits on a Monday with earrings removed. Please remember to send your child to school with their PE shorts, even if they are wearing a tracksuit.

Please continue to hear your children read regularly at home. A little every night is better than a lot once a week. Please remember to sign your child's reading record when they have read, so that we know their books need changing. Books are changed twice a week, usually on a Monday or a Thursday.

Please ensure all items of clothing are named, including gloves, scarves and hats, sunhats.

Homework will continue to be set on Seesaw every other Friday. Please look out for this. The first homework will be set on Friday 17th April.

Please ensure that your child brings their water bottle to school every day.

We use our outside area to support all areas of the curriculum throughout the year. Please ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for this. We encourage them to bring a coat everyday as the weather can turn quite quickly and these can be left on their pegs if it is not cold or wet. We would like all children in Mallard Class to have a pair of wellies that can be kept in school. Please ensure that these are named and are in a named bag.

Year 1 children will continue to have a spelling test each Friday. A new set of spellings will be posted on Seesaw each Friday.

I shall be the keyworker for all children in Reception, with Mrs Lyon acting as deputy keyworker. If you have any queries or questions at any time, no matter how small please contact either myself or Mrs Lyon before or after school or contact Mrs Parkinson in the office.