

Literacy: In Literacy, we will be starting the half term with our Animal Adventure Stories unit. Our chosen author is Rachel Bright, with illustrations by Jim Field, and we will be exploring the story *The Way Home for Wolf*. We will explore the story, characters and setting before innovating the story and writing our own animal adventure stories. We will have lots of fun using drama and role-play to help us develop our understanding of the characters and bring the story to life. We will then become researchers and learn lots of interesting facts about wolves. We will use our research to create an information leaflet all about wolves, developing our skills in finding, organising and presenting information.

Math's: We will start the term by developing our understanding of number and place value. We will explore tens and ones, identify the number that comes before and after a given number, and compare numbers using language such as greater than, less than and equal to. We will then focus on addition and subtraction within 20, developing fluency and confidence with key number facts and mental strategies. As the term progresses, we will move on to addition and subtraction within 100, using a range of practical resources and written methods to solve calculations and problems. They will be applying their understanding of addition and subtraction to solve a range of problems.

Geography:

This half term we are learning to name the world's seven continents and five oceans. We will be using our mapping skills to locate the oceans and continents around them. We will also look at the different features of each continent.

Science: This half term, we will be learning all about Living Things and Their Environments. We will explore a variety of different habitats and discover the plants and animals that live in each one. We will learn how living things are suited to their environments and compare the features of different habitats. To bring our learning to life, we will choose our favourite habitat and use what we have learned to design and create our own habitat diorama, showing the plants and animals that live there.,

D.T/Art

This term we will be developing drawing skills through drawing animals and then for the final piece of art work, we will be creating animal sculptures using clay. 😊

Kestrel Class

Autumn 1 Overview of learning

Amazing Animals

PHSE: In PSHE this half term we are learning about respecting ourselves and others, including families and friendships.

Homework: children will need to read every night and also learn their spellings as well as times tables. There will be an optional project for children to do too.

Spellings: These will be given out on a Friday and the spelling test will take place on the following Friday.

ICT/ Computing:

This half term we will be using purple mash as part of our learning. We will be learning to code.

RE: This half term, we will be learning all about Special Books and exploring why books are important to different people and faiths. We will look at the Bible and explore the Creation story, thinking about how Christians believe God created the world and why God is special to them. We will also explore special books from different learning

PE: PE Will be on Wednesday and Friday. During these lessons we will be doing cricket with a specialist teacher and will also be practicing our ball skills and learning fundamental skills.

Music:

In Music we will be listening and performing to songs about zoo and animals.