

Dove Class Newsletter: Term 3



Dear Parents / Carers

Our termly topic will be entitled ***Animals Around The World.***

<p>In English, we will be using books that relate to animals and their habitats such as <i>The Snail and the Whale</i> by Julia Donaldson as our inspiration. We will also be exploring information texts with a focus on animals and the environment.</p>	<p>Our maths learning will focus on strategies for multiplication and division. We will then move on to exploring data and statistics, followed by 2D and 3D shapes.</p>	<p>In science, we will be learning about animals and their habitats. There will be a progression from understanding what makes something alive to food chains in particular habitats.</p>
<p>In art, design & technology, we will be making collages inspired by the art of Eric Carle before designing and creating our own animal masks.</p>	<p>In geography we will learn about how and why animals live in different parts of the world. We will explore how our climate is changing and how this is affecting habitats.</p>	<p>Our computing learning will be concentrate on developing the skills needed to create presentations using PowerPoint software.</p>
<p>There will be two PE lessons every week, and this term we will be learning to build our own sequences as we work towards routines in both gymnastics and dance.</p>	<p>In music, we will learn about the <i>Carnival of the Animals</i> by Camille Saint-saens, and we will use the movements from the suite as our inspiration in PE lessons.</p>	<p>Our RE lessons this term will focus on Islam and the question: "Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in their everyday life?"</p>

On Thursday afternoons, the class will be taught science and handwriting by Mrs Pitts.

Weekly home learning will be set each Friday and will be expected to be submitted by the following Wednesday. In addition to weekly home learning tasks, each term children are encouraged to complete two home learning activities from the termly planner (found on our school website).

Spelling lists will also come home each Friday and it is expected that children will practise their spellings at least three times to prepare for their weekly challenge each Wednesday. We also ask that children read a minimum of three times a week at home and do some form of mental maths learning (number facts recall, quick calculations or logging in to Numbots or Times Table Rockstars and completing the activities provided).

Your continued support of your child's learning at home is very much appreciated.

Kind regards

Mr Richards