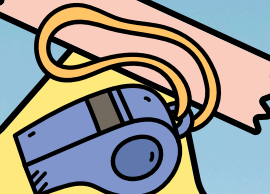





WELCOME **HELLO!** **Hi!**

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We are really excited to kick start 2026 with some great new learning! As ever, please ensure that all belongings are labelled. A member of staff will be on the door each morning if you have any messages.



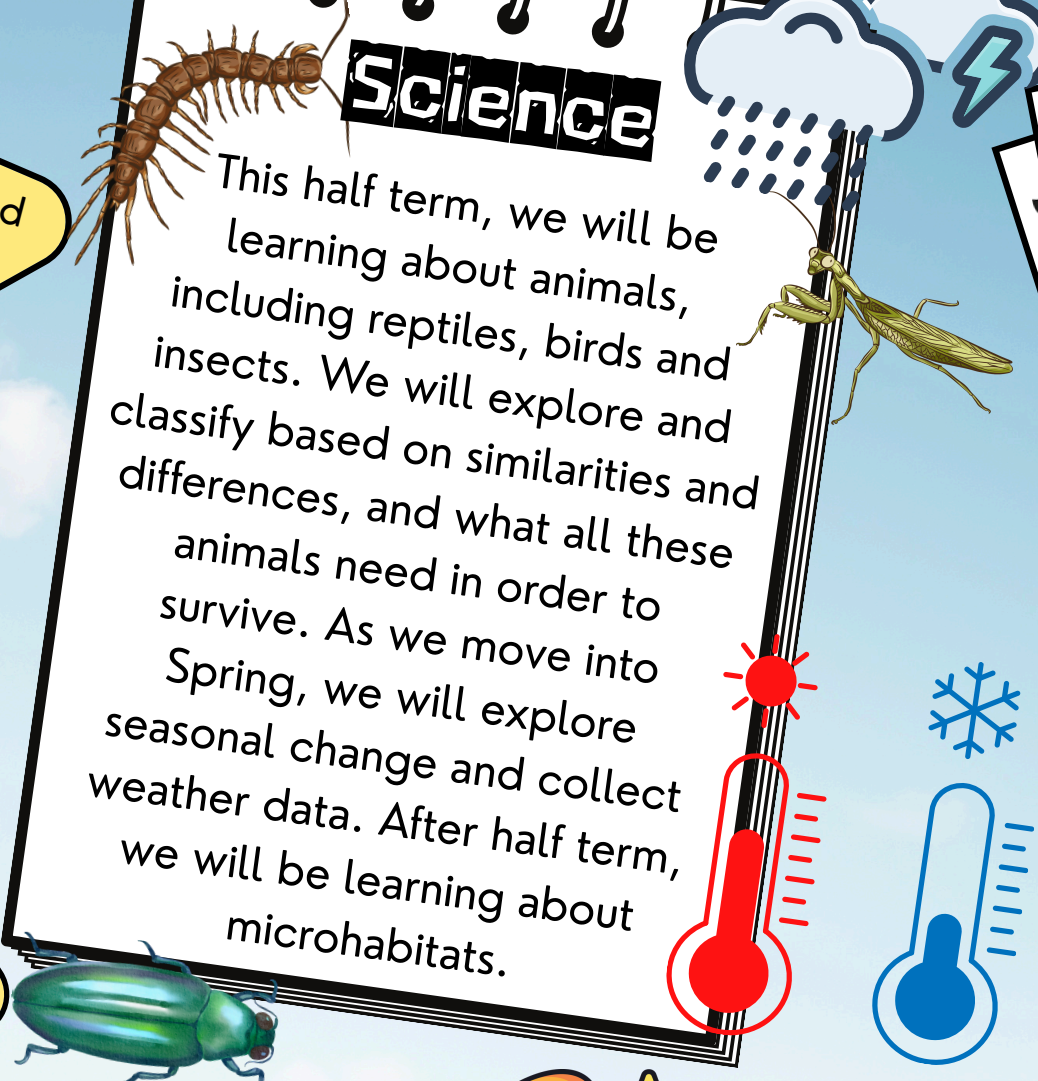
Owls: PE on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**

Meerkats: PE on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**




Meerkats' library slot: **Tuesday**

Owls' library slot: **Friday**



Science



This half term, we will be learning about animals, including reptiles, birds and insects. We will explore and classify based on similarities and differences, and what all these animals need in order to survive. As we move into Spring, we will explore seasonal change and collect weather data. After half term, we will be learning about microhabitats.



Maths

Both classes will be diving into the world of multiplication and division this term, followed by exploring measures. It's a fantastic opportunity for our students to strengthen their skills! To support their learning at home, please continue using TTRS and Numbots. Together, we can make maths fun and engaging for everyone!

$2 \times 2 = 4$
 $3 \times 1 = 3$


MEERKATS & OWLS




English

This term, we're excited to dive into Gorilla by Anthony Browne as part of our novel study! We'll explore characters through engaging drama activities, examine pictures and text to make thoughtful inferences, and even write our own versions of the story featuring new characters. Additionally, we'll link our learning to other curriculum areas by writing reports and explanations. Let's make this a fun and creative journey together!






Geography

This term, we're diving into the fascinating world of penguins! We'll explore why these charming birds don't need to fly and take a closer look at Antarctica, comparing its icy climate to the scorching Sahara Desert. Join us as we uncover the secrets of how penguins thrive in such a cold and barren environment.



Art

This term, our unit will be "Art and Music" and we will explore the link between these two creative forms and how they complement each other. We will listen to a range of musical styles, experiment with mark making and learn about artists such as Tomoko Kawao.



DT

This term, we're diving into the world of textiles! We'll be learning how to use a simple running stitch to join materials together. Our exciting project will involve creating a lovely waistcoat for your teddy bear. Get ready to unleash your creativity and have fun while developing your sewing skills!



PE

This term, we will be working with our expert coaches to enhance our dance and team-building skills. It's a fantastic opportunity to learn and grow together! After half term, we will take our teamwork knowledge to the next level by exploring net and wall games, as well as target games. Let's make this an engaging and fun experience!



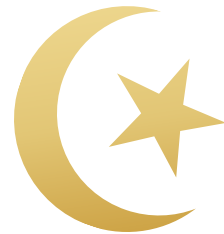
Music

This term, our Year 2 children are having some expert tuition on using the Boomwhackers. The children always thoroughly enjoy this unit and can't wait to get started! Meanwhile, the Year 1 children will be learning how to use the handbells, getting them ready to Boomwhack next year! It's a wonderful opportunity for all our young musicians!



This lesson uses Amazing by Steve Antony to explore friendship and inclusion. Pupils discuss what makes a good friend, examine differences through Zibbo's experiences, role-play standing up for others, and reflect on belonging, kindness, and everyone being welcome.

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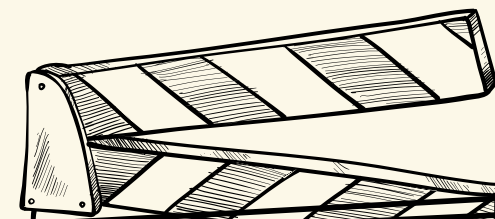
This term, we will be focusing on our learning question, "Who is a Muslim and how do they live?" During this unit, we will be exploring Muslim artefacts and exploring their meaning and use during various religious events and practices. We will also be looking at places of worship and traditional Muslim clothing.



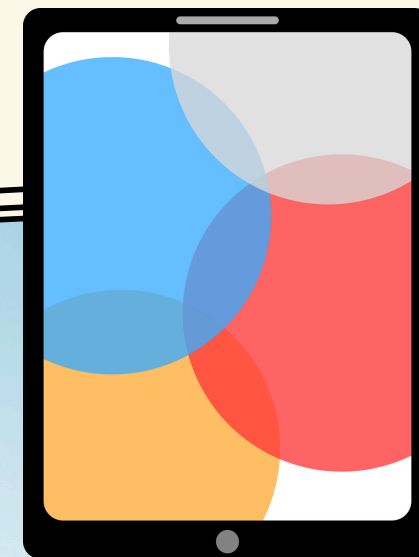
This lesson uses My Shadow Is Pink to explore self-acceptance and identity. Pupils discuss fitting in, feelings about difference, family support, and confidence to be themselves, reflecting on respect, kindness, and how schools can ensure everyone feels valued and included.

Computing

This term in Computing, we're diving into the world of animations! We'll learn how to create simple animations by programming and using straightforward algorithms. Get ready to unleash your creativity and have fun while discovering the magic of coding. It's going to be an exciting journey, and we can't wait to see what you all create!



Action!



RESPECT
is FREE!!

PSHE

This half term, we will be learning how to stay safe around medicines and how what we put into our bodies can impact our health. We will then be exploring our rights and responsibilities inside and outside of school and why they are important.

