



# Year 1 / 2 - Spring Term 2



## English

During this half term, pupils will read the book '**Arctic Animals**' to inspire them to write their own non-chronological report about animals who live in a cold climate. Pupils will be also be learning about climates in their geography lessons.

In our closed reading lessons, we will use our **VIPERS** skills to unpick texts, which we use in our English lessons. We will also use these texts in our reading fluency lessons. Please continue to support your child at home by reading with them at least 3 times a week, by encouraging them to learn their common exception words and to practise their handwriting.

## Science

This half term, pupils will complete their science unit called '**Habitats**'. Pupils will learn:

- what all living things have in common.
- about things that are living, dead or never alive.
- what know what a habitat is.
- the different types of habitats in the UK and the animals and plants that live there.
- the different habitats around the world and animals and plants that live there
- about Sir David Attenborough

## Geography: Why are hot and cold climates changing?

This half term, pupils will be answering the following questions:

- What can be found on aerial photographs?
- Why are climates changing around the world?
- Why are some places hot and dry?
- What is it like living in a cold place?
- How is human behaviour changing the Earth's climate?
- How can climate change be stopped?

## Maths

Our mathematical themes this half term are:

Year 1: **Add and subtract within 20**

Year 2: **Multiplication and Division**

# **Saving our Environment**

## **Why are hot and cold climates changing?**

## Physical Education

Our PE units for this half term are '**Basketball**' and '**Tennis**'.

### PE lessons:

- 1A - Tuesday and Friday
- 1/2B - Tuesday and Friday
- 2C - Monday and Friday

Please ensure children come to school in their PE kits on their PE days wearing a plain white T-shirt and earrings are removed.

Please see separate letter about **Forest Schools**.

## Computing

In our computing lessons, pupils will be completing the unit '**Grouping Data**'. Pupils will learn how to identify data and learn how to group pieces of data together.

## PSHE - Living in the Wider World

In our PSHE lessons, pupils will learn the importance of money and the difference between wanting something and needing something. They will also learn the importance of jobs and receiving money for that job.

## Religious Education

### **How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?**

In our RE lessons, pupils will learn about the religion Christianity. They also will learn about one of their special and holy times: Easter. Pupils will learn why and how Christians celebrate Easter.

## Music

In our music lessons, pupils will be completing the unit '**Zoo Time**' from Charanga. By the end of the unit, pupils will be able to sing a song confidently and play instruments within a beat.

## Art

In our art lessons, pupils will be learning and applying painting skills. They will learn about primary and secondary colours, as well as how to mix tints, shades, and secondary colours. Pupils will also experiment with different paint applicators. These new skills will be applied when painting a background and patterns in the style of Orla Kiely.