



Spring Term
2018



Class 2

Hot and Cold Places

Here's a summary of what we will be learning this term.....

English: The class will begin by learning about how to write clear instructions. They will make their own plasticene snowman and write instructions for someone else to make it; the outcome will help them to see how effective their instructions were. Later in the term, we will be looking at the text - The Last Noo Noo and will be writing our own contemporary fiction, with that as a springboard. As usual we will be reading a variety of texts in our guided reading sessions to reinforce the learning that has taken place and we encourage the children to continue to develop a love of books and be motivated to read in their own home reading. The final few weeks of the term will focus around the features of report writing and having a go at our own versions.

Maths: This term we will continue our learning, focusing on doubling and halving, odd and even numbers to 20, geometry (2D and 3D shape), comparing length, mass and speed and sequencing events. We will continue to consolidate adding and calculating to 20 and using our word skills to explain our thinking and mastery.

Science: We will be identifying animals found in hot and cold places and will be looking at their features by classifying them into different groups e.g mammal, bird, fish, reptiles etc. We will identify and name some animals found in cold places that are herbivores, carnivores or omnivores and find out what they eat. We will do an investigation to discover what materials would be best to keep our hands warm and dry when visiting cold places.

Geography: In Geography, we will explore what it is like in hot and cold areas in the world and identify where they are located on globes and maps. We will use geographical vocabulary to describe key features and use compass directions and locational language to position objects and describe features on a map.

History: Using stories and clues from the past the children will investigate and ask questions to find out about two famous explorers, Robert Scott and Ernest Shackleton.

Art: We will be exploring hot and cold colours. We will be using hot colours to paint patterns on hats and gloves. We will mix cold colours to create winter themed pictures for our art gallery. We will also draw and paint animals that can be found in cold places.

Computing: We are focusing on typing on a keyboard, saving and editing texts and using a keyboard to undo and re-do.

Music: We will develop an understanding of pitch and beat using percussion and will explore following a picture score.

P.E: We will be having P.E lessons on Monday and Thursdays and will continue to swim on Fridays. This term we will be practising gymnastic skills as we take part in games lessons.

R.E: We will be finding out about Jesus' early life and how we can be a gift to others around us by following Jesus example of being kind, caring and helpful.

Homework: The children will be having weekly spelling and reading homework in the same format as last half term. This term they will also be bringing home Brain Builder tasks connected to our topic which we hope that you will enjoy completing together.