

Saplings

Spring term 1 2020

Where have all the animals gone?

English

As writers and communicators we will be looking at the non-fiction books on hedgehogs and hibernation. Our question for this term is, 'Where have all the animals gone?' What do you think? Answering this question will link our English with our science work on hibernation. Later on we will read the classic children's book, Dogger. Our daily phonics class will focus on reading Phase 4 and 5 words, trying out tricky consonant blends starting in blends such as bl, st, and pr and new digraphs. We will continue to change your reading books on Mondays and Thursdays. Start with discussing the pictures then always read your book twice! Spellings are given on Mondays.

Maths

As mathematicians we will be learning more about number and place value. We are now moving on to understand numbers in depth from 11-20. We will continue to use practical equipment to make these numbers and draw them in different representations. We are working on addition and subtraction up to 20 in this half term. Practise your number bonds to 10 and then to 20 at home! Count forwards and backwards to 20. Online homework will resume again shortly with a new website called Sumdog.

Art and Design

As artists and design technologists we will learn how to sketch with pencils. We will sketch the toys from our 'toy museum' and look at the sketches of famous artists as well as the illustrations of animals in Winnie the Pooh.

Geography

As geographers we will be looking at different capitals of the U.K., starting with London. We will investigate the weather patterns in London and in Ripponden. We will use Google maps to find London!

P.E and Games

As health and well-being experts we will be developing our ball skills in P.E. and doing yoga with Miss Whitely. Please could make sure your child has their full P.E. kit in school and it is named. A hoodie and joggers are also useful for when we do outdoor P.E. such as running on the track.

Science

As scientists We will look at changes that happen in winter and make use of our fantastic back field to investigate these changes. We will learn about day light and how it changes in winter, as well as the changes to trees and to our clothing! We will also learn about hibernation and migration.

History

As historians we will be looking at how toys have changed from when your grandparents were young. Which toys do we still play with today, and which ones are no longer in use? If you have any toys to share with us for a 'toy museum', please bring them in from the start of February.

Music

As musicians we will learn a song called 'In the Groove' and practise it with instruments.

Computing

As information technologists we will be introduced to programming and we will programme Beebots. We will also learn basic word processing- space, enter, delete.