

Communication & Language

This half term we will be using Animal stories to lead our play. Some of our favourites will include 'What the Ladybird Heard', 'Meerkat Mail' and 'Penguin Small'. Role Play around the unit will allow us to follow this theme, providing lots of opportunities for speaking and listening, reading & writing. We will learn the story of 'Dear Zoo' and using our story maps we will be able to retell the story to our friends, talking about 'who' is in the story and 'what' is happening. We will then innovate the story to make a new version.



Physical Development

We will continue with our weekly PE sessions in the hall on Mondays and Fridays. We will be travelling across obstacles to develop our gross motor skill and also working on sending and receiving objects with different body parts, throwing, catching and kicking. We will be building lots of models using our fine motor skills and begin to write labels and captions about these creations.

Expressive Arts & Design

This half term we will learn about the artist Henri Matisse. We will be looking at his artwork and focusing on his famous collage The Snail'. We will also be focusing on using drawing to tell a story and constructing with a purpose. During our Music sessions we will feel and clap the beat. We will be improvising dance moves inspired by animals and matching pitch with a range of two or three

notes.







Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This half term we will be talking about things we are good at and setting ourselves simple goals. We will be learning about how to keep ourselves safe whilst we are out and about in the sun.

<u>Literacy</u>

This half term we will build upon the sounds that we have learnt, becoming more independent when reading and writing. We will continue to practise writing simple words, captions and sentences. When reading we will begin to use our good storytelling voices.

Amazing Animals

Maths

We will continue our maths learning through our White Rose resources by extending our number knowledge to 20 and beyond. We will be consolidating our key skills of: subitising, counting, composition, sorting, matching, comparing and ordering.



Understanding the World

This half term we will be learning about different animals. We will be looking at different habitats such as hot and cold. We will be looking at pets and how to look after them including sharing information about our own pets!