

Learning Together -Year 1. Autumn Term 1

My topic this half-term is:

I am going to be learning about:

Animal Fever!



- Different animals from around the world and where they live.
- We will be looking at world maps and exploring the geography and cultures of different countries, especially comparing hot and cold countries.
- We will be meeting a new class mascot who we will welcome and will stay with us on our journey through Year One.
- We will be learning and sequencing stories such as 'Elmer' and 'The Gruffalo'. We will be writing words and sentences using the sounds we have learnt in Read, Write, Inc. and whole class phonics lessons.
- We will enjoy playing in our 'Safari Zoo' role play area and exploring the outside area.
- We will be learning to count to 100 from any given number and adding together a single digit number to a two - digit number e.g. (13 + 6) using practical resources.
- In science, we will be sorting animals into different groups according to their diet and appearance and will be going on nature walks to look for signs of Autumn.
- We will be creating pictures in art lessons by collaging, painting and we will be making our own printing blocks using card and string.

You could help me at home by:

- Listen to me read my home reading book every day for ten minutes and ask me some questions about what I have learnt in school.
- When we are out and about, help me look out for signs of nature such as the leaves changing colour or weather changes.
- Practise counting to 100 forwards and back with me. Begin to practise counting in 2's.

Some reminders:

PE/Games lessons are on Wednesday and Friday. Please bring a Medina PE kit on these days.

Please make sure your child has a **water bottle** and their **book bag** in school every day.

Children can change their **reading book** as soon as it has been read at home- they do this *independently* when they come into the classroom in the morning.

Tuesday is our day to visit the **school library**- please ensure your child has their library books in school on a Tuesday. We invite parents / carers in to read with us in the classroom every Wednesday at 2.50pm.

Spellings are given out on a Monday- please look for the slip of paper. The test is on a Friday - again please look for the blue book so you can see how your child has done.

Please continue to support your child with their home reading, spellings and **Maths Challenge** cards.

In year 1 we are focussing on **counting**, **phonics** and developing our love of reading.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to **Miss Pinnell**. Thank you ☺