

ENGLISH

Why do zebras have stripes?

Fiction

We will be exploring animal stories. We will be reading stories and retelling them. Looking at the characters, settings and plot. **Non fiction**

We will be looking at information books about African animals and asking and answering questions. We will be describing animals. **Poetry**

We will be learning to recite some animal poems.

Grammar

Grammar focus: Year 1

Begin to punctuate sentences using a capital letter, a full stop or question marks.

Handwriting

We will continue to ensure that we have a comfortable correct hand grip and that we are sitting correctly.

Year 1 will focus on cursive handwriting. Reception will focus on starting in the correct place and direction for families of lower case letters.

Phonics

Reception will be embedding phase 2 sounds. Focusing on blending and segmenting.

RE

Our big question for RE this term is "Who made the wonderful world and why?"

We will find out about and talk about the creation story.

We will be talking about what is precious or special to us and to others.

MATHS

Our focus this half term is place value, counting and writing numbers, comparing, grouping and ordering objects and numbers.

COMPUTING

Handling data

We will be talking about different kinds of information such as pictures, videos, text and sound, and using technology to collect information, including photos, video and sound.

Multimedia

We will create shapes and text on screen and saving information in a special place and retrieving it again.

ART/D&T

Animal camouflage.

to develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space

Will be learning about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work.

Imagine what animals would look like if they had different coats.

Willow Class

1st Half Spring Term 2020

SCIENCE

We will identify and name a variety of common African animals, describing and comparing their structure.

We will work scientifically identifying and classify animals according to their patterns/camouflage.

P4C/PSHE

We will be working on how to speak with confidence to others about own needs, wants, interests and opinions.

We will also be learning how to understand and follow our rules and show sensitivity to others needs and feelings.

MUSIC

Our music unit is called "Everyone!" We will be exploring family, friends, people and music from around the world.

HUMANITIES

This half term we will have a geography focus. Initially we will be looking at the seven continents of the world. We will hone in on Africa exploring human and physical features of the country and move on to take a closer look at the Serengeti. Children will explore similarities and differences between The culture of the Maasai tribe and British culture along with continuing to develop their geographical skills through a variety of fun and interactive activities.