



Monkton CEP School
Bee Class Newsletter
Autumn Term 3 2018
'Everyone is special'



**Personal, Social and Emotional
Development**

- We have a role play 'Safari Truck' set up where the children can play together and imagine exploring the jungle, arctic and many more exciting places.
- We will be having a 'Talking Question' every day to encourage children to talk about their personal experiences and listen to the thoughts of others.

Physical Development

- Once a week we will join in with 'Arctic Animal Yoga.' Here we will develop our balance and coordination, as well as expand our knowledge about the Arctic.
- We will continue to have PE lessons and practice getting changed into our PE kits.
- We will continue to have fun on the bikes, trikes and scooters.

Communication and Language

- We will be playing lots of circle time games and will be encouraging the children to share their personal experiences with the class.
- We will also be performing jungle poetry to each other.

Mathematics

We are learning to:

- Describe and name 2D shapes and use these to create animals of the world
- Discuss estimation and what a sensible guess is.
- Begin to complete simple addition by counting on.
- Continue to focus on numbers 1-20 and count things which cannot be moved
- Discuss days of the week, months of the year and time

Literacy

- We are continuing to recognise, and now write the following sounds s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, e, u, r, f, b, h, l, j, v, w, x, y, z
- Learning new sounds sh, ch, th, nk, ng
- Learning sight words - to, me, she, he, be
- Writing CVC words
- Our literacy lessons we also be used to develop our understanding of the world. This week we have had a visit from an arctic polar bear to help us with our writing.
- We will be finding out lots of facts about the world and think about creating our own 'That's not my...' stories.

RE

We will be looking at stories from, 'The New Testament' and finding out about the 12 disciples. This will help us to think about what makes a good friend and how we will try to be a loving friend to the other children in our class.

Other Specific Areas

- **Understanding the World** - Our topic for Term 3 is, 'A Wonderful World' so we will be looking at different communities throughout the world and comparing our lives to theirs' We will also be looking at different animals, weather and environments throughout the world.
- **Expressive Arts and Design** - The use of texture- we will be creating animal out of different materials.
- **ICT** - Children will be taught ICT through each strand of the curriculum and in their Child Initiated Learning.

Vocabulary

Literacy -fiction, non-fiction, full stop, capital letter, finger space.

Maths -number, amount, addition, more, altogether, square, triangle, rectangle, circle, semi-circle

Topic - world, arctic, jungle, rainforest, desert, weather, environment

Websites

- Games to aid Letters and Sounds, using the pure sound:
<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-3.html>
- Counting forwards and backwards through song:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/schoolradio/subjects/mathematics/countingsongs>
- A variety of mathematic games:
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37>

Notices

- Please read with your children every night at home and practice their sound cards. This really does help your child with their reading development. Thank you to the parents who already do this on a regular basis.
- Please can all library books be in school on Tuesdays as this is our class library session day. If your child has many library books at home can they please be returned to allow your child to take out a new selection of books.

Key dates

- Friday 18th January- Reports home to parents.
- Wednesday 13th February- Parent Consultations
- Friday 15th February- Last day of term
- Monday 25th February- Term 4 starts.