

# Year 1 Spring term 2023

## Novel Study

We will be beginning our spring Novel Study by looking at a Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett.

Children will use this text to look at features of different genres such as a non-chronological report and create their own. We will look at poetry and writing letters / emails.

They will use the text and the main character Sunny to find out about the world and animals and create a leaflet to convince Sunny to visit Doncaster.

Children will continue to access Read Write Inc to get a sound understanding of letters and sounds.

During this term we will continue to focus on letter and number formation during a daily handwriting session.



## Sensational Safari

### Foundation Subjects

**Science** What kind of animal is Sunny and how do I know? We will look at how animals grow, what they eat and what they need to survive.

**Geography** We will explore the questions: Where does Sunny live? and how is it different to where I live? Children will identify and describe the different continents and oceans in the world and identify hot and cold parts of the world.

**History** Children will explore who were the Wright Brothers and why were they famous as well as looking at the significance of Amy Johnson and her achievements.

**Music** Children will use the pictures and text Meerkat Mail to plan a party for Sunny. Children will create some African music using percussion instruments.

**Art** Children will use the text to explore African masks and create their own using collage techniques.

**Computing** Children create an E Book using words and pictures.

**Music** Exploring sound, choosing instruments and listening to sounds all around us.

## Mathematics

- ✚ Place Value up to 50
- ✚ Shape
- ✚ Addition and subtraction
- ✚ Multiplication and division
- ✚ fractions

We will continue to practise number formation, reading and writing numbers in words as well as numerals. Please visit the Mathletics and Numbots website (log in details in reading diary) for extra practise.

## Global Citizenship and RE

During Spring we will focus on Judaism & Christianity - Children will explore questions such as:

- ✚ How is Shabbat important to Jewish children?
- ✚ Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday?

## Home Learning

**Reading:** Please read **every night** to an adult this can be your school reading book, a book you have accessed on Bug Club or your Read Write Inc book. Please get an adult to comment and sign your planner please. You will also change your reading for pleasure book weekly too 😊

### Mathletics & Numbots

Children can visit to Mathletics site (information & log in information in planner) to play interactive fun maths activities to earn certificates.

## Physical Education

Please come to school **DRESSED IN PE KIT** on days when you have PE please.

Starlings PE day is **MONDAY** and Nightingales PE day is **FRIDAY**

Please remember for PE kit you will need:

- ✚ trainers or pumps
- ✚ a plain white t shirt
- ✚ black / navy shorts. If the weather is cold, you are able to wear black navy tracksuit bottoms and a black / navy jumper / tracksuit top.