Spring 2 - Animals

Key Texts

- Monkey Puzzle
- Egg to Chicken
- I'm a little Chick (Poem)

Key Events

- World Book Day
- Red Nose Day

Literacy

As writers, we will be learning to write simple sentences, using our phonic knowledge and learning where to put a capital letter and a full stop.

As readers, we will begin to recognise rhyme and identify the features of a non-fiction text.

Maths

As mathematicians, we will be learning the number bonds to 10. We will begin to add numbers together using mathematical language such as adding, equals and altogether.

We will also develop our mathematical language by exploring Space and Capacity.

Physical Development

In P.E. this half term, we will develop our expressive movement. We will explore space and how to use space safely with confidence and imagination. We will also explore movement using a prop with control and co-ordination by coping, linking and repeating patterns.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half we will be developing our friendships by building constructive and respectful relationships. We will consider the perspectives of others and see ourselves as valuable individuals. We will also talk about sensible amounts of 'screen time' and the importance of having a good sleep routine.

Communication and Language

This half term, we will be trying to add more detail when talking about an event, using newly learnt vocabulary in different contexts. We will listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. We will also articulate our ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences, and use talk to help work out problems.

Understanding the World

As Scientists, we will investigate life-cycles by making observations of eggs developing and hatching. We will explore animal parts through ICT and identify where animals may live by going on an animal investigation walk. As Geographers, we will learn the similarities and differences between 4 main habitats (woodland, desert, ocean, and farm) and which animals live there. We will have a special visit from Sam Safari who will bring a range of animals from various habitats for us to explore. As Historians, we will be learning about what animals looked like years ago. We will explore timelines and sequence events chronologically. As Theologians, we will be learning about why people celebrate Easter.

Expressive Arts and Design

As Design Technicians, we will be using our joining, cutting and construction skills to design and create an animal home. We will investigate existing products and talk about materials they are made from, look at how they have been constructed and talk about likes and dislikes. We will learn how to ensure that the materials we use are strong enough for their purpose. We will also have the opportunity to discuss and evaluate our work.