

Literacy

This is a term full of excitement. We will be reading two fiction books; *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle. This story teaches us all about the life cycle of a butterfly.

The second story is *Dear Zoo* by Rod Campbell. In this story it shows us a range of animals and provides us with adjectives to describe each animal. It also provides opportunities for us to write our own letter to the zoo.

Finally we will be reading some non-fiction books to help us find some facts about Dinosaurs in preparation to make our own fact file.

The objectives that we are working towards are:

- Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.
- Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters.
- Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.

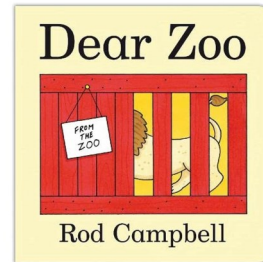
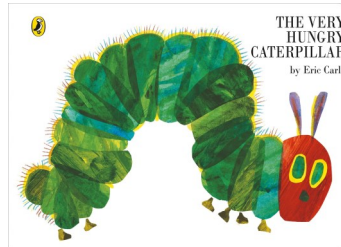
Communication and Language

Through interaction, exploration and play, we are learning to:

- ~ Listen attentively and respond to what we hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions.
- ~ Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering our own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary.

Animals great and small

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Physical Development

During our PE sessions we will be practicing for Sports Day. This will include relay races, running races and obstacle courses.

The objectives we are working towards are:

- Moves energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.
- Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others.

Home Learning

Home learning will be sent home every **Monday** and is also uploaded to Google Classroom. We really encourage the use of Google classroom as there are many useful resources that can be accessed to support learning at home. Reading at home is a vital part of home learning and we encourage that this is carried out daily.

Maths

Now that we are confident with our numbers to 10, we will be exploring 'To 20 and beyond'.

Within this topic we be learning the numerical order from 11 to 20. We will be practicing our addition and subtraction skills within those numbers, as well as developing our skill of writing number equations. Then our next topic is 'First, then, now', which is where we will be focusing addition and subtraction, more and fewer.

The objectives we are working towards are:

- Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system.

Understanding of the World

During this half term we will be exploring a range of different animals. We will be exploring minibeasts and looking at them in their natural habitat.

We will be thinking about wild animals and the groups that they belong too. Finally, we will be learning all about Dinosaurs and making links to fossils and extinction.

To help develop this learning, we have planned two very exciting educational trips, the first being to London Zoo to see the animals and then in the second term will be going to Gulliver's Land to explore the dinosaur Park.

The objectives we are working towards are:

- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.
- Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.

