



Our learning this term

Our topic is 'Predators'

English –Our English focus this will be on developing reading skills with particular reference to inference and deduction. The text we will read as a class is 'Krinklekraks'. Our writing focus will be on writing non-chronological reports and character descriptions

Maths – We will begin this half term by continuing to develop our knowledge of fractions, adding and subtracting fractions, identifying equivalent fractions and ordering them. We will then move on to shape, investigate both 2d and 3d shapes angles and lines.

Science – Our 'Predator' topic will take us through a unit humans and animals. We will explore how to keep ourselves fit and healthy and how animals are similar to humans in many ways. We will explore and learn about food chains and find out just what predators like to eat!

Other subjects- The focus of this topic is Science, Art and DT. We will improve our drawing and painting skills by sketching and painting some of the largest predators on earth. We will link technology into Art by creating our own predators and develop our design and technology skills by trying to make a predator with a moving part.

VISITS AND ENRICHMENT

This half term we will visit Paphos Zoo on Friday 18th May as the 'engage' part of our Predator topic. The children will be able to get up close (although not too close!) to some real life predators as well as seeing a range of other more common animals.

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

Please support your child with their homework and encourage them to aim high and produce neat work of a good standard. Please also read with / listen to your child reading regularly (at least 1 hour a week) and **comment and sign in the reading diary, at least 3 times a week please**. Remember to question them about what they have read and make it a pleasurable experience.

USEFUL INFORMATION

PE: Tuesday/Wednesday.

Please send kit in everyday because this can change.

Spelling test : Monday

Library - Thursday.

Maths mountain: Monday

HOMEWORK:

A new homework sheet with varying levels of challenge has been sent home. Homework books will be sent home on a Friday and should be brought into school by Wednesday.

Please help your child learn their times-tables. In Year 3 they should know 2, 5, 10, 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables and division facts.

READING

Summer 1 – It is important that your child's reading book and reading record comes into school **every day**. We are having a focus on reading comprehension this term, so additional reading tasks may also be sent home. Pupils will continue to complete the reading quizzes from Accelerated Reading when they have completed their books. Your continued support with developing your child's reading is appreciated.

SPELLING: A spelling list will be sent home each Monday and tested the following Monday. The whole school spelling improvement 'drive' continues and we ask that you support your child at home also (to promote the importance of accurate spelling.)