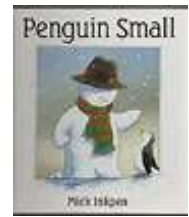


Year 1 Spring term 1 2018

Welcome back after the Christmas holidays! The first half term we are looking at Winter as our topic. We will begin with an investigation answering the question "Where do snowmen go in Summer?" and will continue in Literacy using the book *Penguin Small* by Mick Inkpen as a basis for our writing. We will particularly look at story settings using adjectives to make our sentences more interesting.



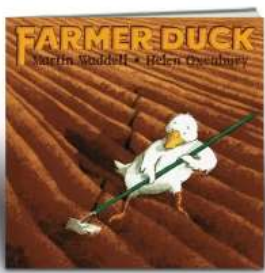
Homework topic due in on Monday 5th February

Draw and label (try to use adjectives!) an imaginary island that Penguin Small might visit on his travels.

These projects and the children's writing about their islands will be displayed for you to visit on Friday 9th February from 3 pm onwards.

In Maths we are looking at addition and subtraction with numbers to 20 by using counting on and number lines. You can help your child by providing opportunities for them to add and take away using coins, pasta, or any other counters and encouraging them to make their own number lines on paper or with chalk outside.

Spring term 2



After half term we begin a new topic on Farms and we are looking forward to a visit to a local farm. Our books this half term are *Farmer Duck* and *The Three Little Pigs* and we will be writing a For Sale notice for the pigs as we combine our topic of Materials in Science with our literacy. In art we will design our own houses also looking at materials in use around the house.

In maths we will begin to look at multiples of 2, 5 and 10 moving on to measurement of length, height, weight and volume towards Easter. You can help your child by practising their counting through songs and rhymes.

The RE topics over both terms moves us towards Easter as we look first at Special People, then Meals and finally at Change thinking of course about the Easter Story by visiting the church to look at the Stations of the Cross. **We want to make our own Easter gardens and ask for any of the "corner" yogurt pots to be sent into school if you have them please!**



Homework topic

Please look out for details about the whole school RE homework for the Easter term.

We also encourage you to check out some phonics sites to help your child with their sounds and reading.

Phonicsplay.co.uk (choose free play activities) bbc bitesize phonics activities

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds> <http://www.galacticphonics.com>

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