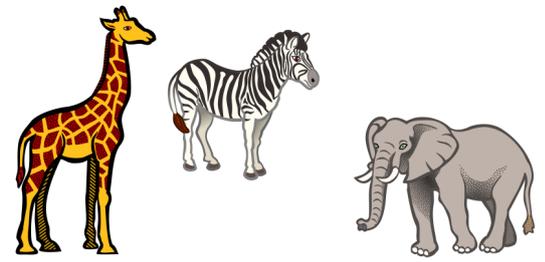


Year One Spring Term Week 4



Topic: Community Explorers



This week we are starting the RSPB Bird Watch. Please encourage your children to be looking at birds, listening to the sounds they make and notice the different birds in our area.

English



We have been very busy creating word banks and beginning the planning phases for our recount unit in English. This week we are going to be using our plans to further extend our ideas and vocabulary by adding captions to photos. Our captions will include time adverbials (for example: first, next, then, after that and finally) and conjunctions which will help us to join our ideas together (for example: 'and', 'because' and 'but'). By working through the different steps of the writing process the children will be able to better express their ideas by knowing exactly what they want to write before our whole class independent write which will then also enable them to focus more on their handwriting and correct letter formation.

Maths



This week we will be deepening our knowledge of Diennes and Place Value Cards. The children will now be using them to partition numbers as opposed to build numbers. They will be drawing them into their books to model their understanding, pulling apart a whole number, creating a number sentences for it and putting the number back together again to recompose the whole number. Please help to spot numbers in the children's environments and support them to say them out loud to help them with their numerical understanding. Lots of children can count in order but can find it tricky to identify some numbers out of context or sequence.

Foundation Subjects



Through DT the children will continue to manipulate different materials by building our designs to develop our community in the role play are. In ICT the children will be writing a review of their community walk thinking about what they enjoyed and what would make it even better. During Art the children will be exploring different mediums and textures bringing a local artist painting to life. They will make their own interpretation of their art piece exploring how we see the world differently. In music we will still be exploring body percussion to see what sounds we can make, but now incorporating a beat to a chosen song. During PE we will be strengthening our bodies by forming a tuck, star and straight line with our bodies using the apparatus. In RE this week it is all about

Home Learning

Home learning next week will be a community explorers challenge that can be completed over a few weeks.

Dates for your diary

- Maths Learning Together Sessions:
 - Elephants will be on Tuesday the 30th of January at 9:15.
 - Giraffes will be on Tuesday the 30th of January at 1:40.
 - Zebras will be on Wednesday the 31st of January at 9:15.

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