



# Year Curriculum Letter

## Autumn 2020

### Second Half Term Week 15

## Paws, Claws and Whiskers



### Week 15 Express

We hope you have a great Christmas holiday. Thank you for all your support with the children's learning this term.

We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday the 5th of January, our next topic will be Community Explorers.



### Express

#### Music

#### Art



Next week during our curriculum sessions our focus will be Art and D.T. The children will be creating a festive card for their family. This will be linked to our writing sessions where the children will write a personal message to their family. They will take this home along with the gift they made for you last week.

In Music we will continue to sing Christmas songs with more of a focus on festive favourites like Rudolf the Red Nose Reindeer.



### English

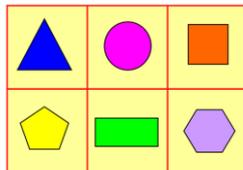


For our last week of English this term the children will be writing card inserts. The skills the children learned while writing a letter to a character from the story *The Tiger Who Came to Tea* will be transferred in to this writing. There will be a focus on letter formation, finger spaces and phonic sounds.

The Christmas Holiday is very near and reading over this time will stimulate your child's imagination and expand their understanding of the world. Please continue to share books with your child every day. This can include bedtime stories.



### Maths



In Maths we will be consolidating topics we have covered this term. This will include money, shape and time. With money the children will be recognising and labelling coins. When we cover 2D and 3D shapes we will be exploring them by recognising, naming and discussing their properties. When we learned about time we focused on what the hands of the clock mean (hour, minute, second) and what the numbers mean (each interval represents 5 minutes). To build the children's confidence with time we will be practising telling time to the hour and half past the hour.



### Physical Education



Next week our P.E focus will continue to be cardio, strength and flexibility. We will be continuing our weekly runs. We will then be doing high intensity interval training (HIIT workouts): the children will be completing a series of exercises for 30 seconds, then resting for 20 seconds before starting the next exercise.

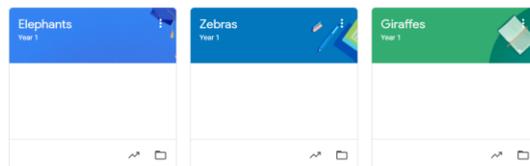


<b>Religious Education</b> 	<p>In R.E. we will be teaching the children about Hanukkah and why the story of Hanukkah is important to people of the Jewish faith. Hanukkah is celebrated from the 10<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> of December. We will have a discussion about the rituals, traditions and key figures in the celebration of Hanukkah.</p> 
<b>Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education (P.S.H.C.E)</b> 	<p>In P.S.H.C.E. we will be talking about what the children will be doing over the Christmas break. The children love to share their thoughts, feelings and plans with the friends. We will discuss the importance of staying safe over the break especially if families will be going out. We will also be talking about the New Year and what that means (years and months changing). We will also introduce the concept of New Year Goals; we will discuss this further in January.</p>
<b>Wanted!</b>	<p>If your child would like to share something for Show and Tell please take a photo of it and e-mail the photo to <a href="mailto:office@beddingtoninfants.org.uk">office@beddingtoninfants.org.uk</a>. We will then show it on the SMART board for your child to talk about.</p>
<b>Dates for the term</b> 	<p><b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>-last day of Autumn Term, school will finish at 13:30.  <b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January</b>-No school for children, Inset day for staff.  <b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>-First day of Spring Term for children  <b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January</b>-Year 1 Community Walk (details in separate letter)</p>

# Learning at home

Below home learning activities for you to complete throughout this half term.

- We hope you enjoy completing the home learning activities that are set on Google Classroom.
- Regular reading at home is vital to sustain progress and liaising with staff through the Home/School Contact Book is invaluable to your child. Children are encouraged to read each night and change the reading book each morning.
- Share the online Phonic Bug books with your child. (<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login>)
- Enjoy the weekly Education City activities online with your child - this will be directly linked to the learning they are doing at school that week.



Thank you,  
The Year 1 Team

