



Year 1 Curriculum Letter

Autumn 2 2024

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 7th January 2025, our next topic will be Community Explorers.

Express

Computing

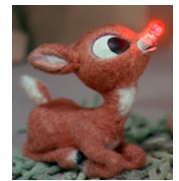
Art

Music



In Art 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.

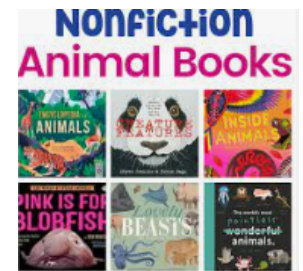
In Music we will continue to sing Christmas songs with more of a focus on festive favourites like Rudolf the Red Nose Reindeer. We are so excited for our Christmas Carol Service; please talk to your child about projecting their voice and joining in.



English



In the final week of term, the children will be using all the knowledge they have learned about animals to write their own non-fiction books. We will encourage the children to use adjectives in their writing, for example: *sharp claws*. When the children begin writing their nonfiction animal books we will focus on capital letters, writing on the line and using full stops to demarcate sentences.



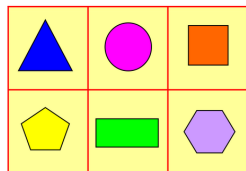
Some vocabulary you might want to practise at home: *omnivore, carnivore, herbivore, mammal, fish, amphibian, reptile, fish, bird, eat, group, animal, nonfiction, habitat, live.*

Please remember to read with your child each night and record the name of the book in your child's blue communication book.

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.

Religious Education



In R.E. We are teaching the children about Hanukkah and why the story of Hanukkah is important to people of the Jewish faith. Hanukkah is celebrated between the 7th and 15th of December. We will have a discussion about the rituals, traditions and key figures in the celebration of Hanukkah.



Relationship and Health Education (R.H.E)



In R.H.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 their 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.

Wanted!

If your child would like to share something for Show and Tell please take a photo of it and e-mail the photo to office@beddingtoninfants.org.uk. We will then show it on the SMART board for your child to talk about.

Dates for the term



Singing Christmas Carols at Bridge House Care Home:

Wednesday 18th December: Elephants and half Zebras

Thursday 19th December: Giraffes and half Zebras

-Friday 20th December:

Carol Service in St Mary's Church at 10am.

Last day of Autumn Term. School will finish at 13:25.

-Monday 6th January: INSET day, no school for the children

-Tuesday 7th January: First day of term for the children

-Wednesday 8th January: Year 1 Community Walk (more information in the letter was sent out earlier this week)

Learning at home

Please find below home learning activities for you to complete throughout this half term.

- We hope you enjoy completing the home learning activities.
- 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>)



Thank you,
The Year 1 Team

