

FS2 Curriculum News Spring 1 2024

Theme: Hot and Cold Places

Children will be learning about hot and cold places. They will learn the names of different animals, their characteristics and their habitats. We will be focusing on penguins when we learn about Antarctica and Winter, and we will look at other wild animals in hot places

Words to learn this half term:

Winter, Arctic, Antarctica, cold, ice, frost, snow, frozen, melt, icicles, iceberg, polar bear, arctic fox, snowy owl, caribou, humpback whale, penguins, blubber, seal, arctic hare, feathers, webbed feet, wings, antlers, Chinese New Year, Chinese dragon, lion, dragons, rabbit, red, chop sticks, celebration, dinosaur, swamp, sludge, drum, beat, lion, elephant, snake, hippo, giraffe, zebra, Africa, Kenya, Asia, continent, Savanna, river Nile, dessert, safari, jungle, rainforest, pyramids, mountain, hut, home, world, map, globe, journey, explore, travel, aeroplane, sledge,

Stories

During the half term many of the activities and learning experiences offered will be focussed around some of the following stories:

Hello Penguin!
Polar Bear, Polar Bear
Poles Apart
Lost and found
The elephant's umbrella



Maths

Introduce zero
Conceptual subitising to 5
Compare and explore mass and capacity
Composition of 6,7,8 and doubles to 8
Explore height, length and time
Subitising to 10
Explore 3d shapes
Copy an continue patterns

Songs and Rhymes

- Wind The Bobbin Up
- Rock-a-bye Baby
- Five Little Monkeys Jumping On The Bed
- Twinkle Twinkle
- If You're Happy And You Know It
- Head, Shoulders, Knees And Toes

Please remember to:

- Bring your book bag every day.
- Reading books will be changed weekly. Your child will receive a Rhino reading book which is linked to their phonics learning and they will choose a library book. This book is for you to share with your child to promote reading for pleasure.
- Please aim to read with your child at least 3 times a week.
- Learning and playing in EYFS can be fun and messy. Please feel free to send in spare clothes for you child to change into if needed. Please ensure these are in school colours.
- Write your child's name inside all of their uniform, including coats, wellies and PE kits.
- Bring a warm coat, hat and scarf to school, as the weather gets colder.
- Phonics home learning will be given out daily and will need to be returned the following day. On Friday pupils will also receive a piece of maths work.
- PE is on a **Friday**. Please send your child into school that day wearing black shorts/ leggings/ jogging bottoms, a white t shirt, school sweatshirt and trainers. **Earrings must be removed.**
- Have a look at our school website for the school holiday list and other useful information: www.cheetwood.manchester.sch.uk