

<u>Year One Curriculum Overview</u>	<u>Spring Two Half Term</u>	<u>Learning Focus: Animal Kingdom</u>
English - Phonics	In preparation for the phonics screening check in June, children will continue to be digraph and trigraph detectives. We will be looking for these in real and nonsense words, using our sound buttons to support us with segmenting and blending. We will be writing dictated sentences containing these digraphs and trigraphs focusing on our spelling and grammar, in particular, capital letters and full stops.	
English - Writing	Following the visit from the Animal Man, children will be learning the model text about skunks. We will focus on their appearance, habitat, diet and other fun facts. We will then use this structure to write our own information text about our own made up animals! We will then read the story - There's a Lion in My Cornflakes by Michelle Robinson to inspire us to write our own wishing tale about animals!	
Mathematics	In mathematics, children will be learning to count and represent numbers to 50. We will be partitioning numbers to 50 into tens and ones as well as comparing and ordering numbers. We will also be using our number knowledge to measure the lengths and heights of different objects using both non-standard units (such as cubes and handspans) and standard units (centimetres and meters). Children will compare the mass of different objects too!	
Science	As scientists, children will build on our learning of the human body and our senses to describe and compare the structures of a variety of different animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. We will also continue our work throughout this year on observing the changes that occur during the season of Spring.	
Art	In art, to link with our Multi-Faith trip to the Mosque, children will be learning about Islamic art and calligraphy when drawing animals. We will explore and experiment with creating thick and thin lines to create the patterns found on animals and then apply this to Arabic lettering!	
Computing	This half term, we will learn to be computer coders! Children will learn all about algorithms, a set of rules like instructions that devices follow. We will use this knowledge to program beebots in order to move them to the desired location. We will also learn to 'debug' algorithms where there might be a mistake or an error in the algorithm that we need to change.	
DT	As part of our DT curriculum, our trip to the Mosque will inspire us to design our very own Islamic art inspired wall hanging, We will be used different media and resist painting to create our patterns and then embellish them to make them shine! We will then evaluate our wall hanging to think about how we might make them even better!	
PE	In PE, children will work with Chris, our sports coach, to continue to develop their gymnastic skills. They will learn to use space safely and effectively in order to develop technique and control when performing shapes. In dance, children will continue to recognise rhythm and beat within the animal themed music and be able to move in time to the music led by the teacher.	
PSHE	Our focus for the half term will be learning all about money and the working world. Children will discuss where money comes from and how we pay for things we want and things we need. We will also discuss how we keep our money safe. We will also explore careers and different jobs people might have in our local community.	
RE	In RE, children will learn about the Islamic Faith in preparation for our Inter-Faith trip to the Church and Mosque. We will also be learning about the importance of the cross in the Easter story.	