

Year 1 Newsletter



Aldwyn Primary School - Every Child a Success

Autumn Term 2

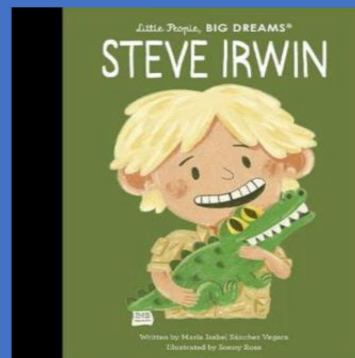
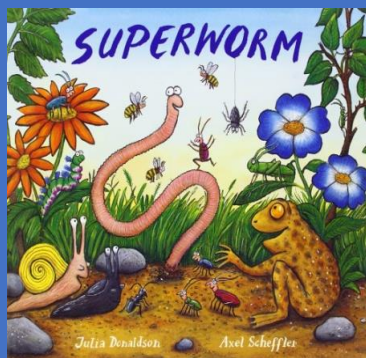
Tuesday 31st October 2023
to
Tuesday 19th December 2023

Theme – What Comes Out At Night?

We are very excited to be back after a lovely half term and you feel refreshed and ready! Our topic theme for this half term is called What Comes Out At Night? Our topic changes each half term in Year 1. We will start the term by sharing Julia Donaldson's book, Superworm.

Our school value that we will be looking at this half term is 'help'. Through this value, we will look at the life and conservation efforts of Steve Irwin. He dedicated his life to protecting wildlife and we will explore how we can help like him.

What will we read this half term?



What will we learn this half term?

Please note that all of the Curriculum Overviews for each subject can be found on the school website. These contain detailed outlines of the coverage and rationales for teaching. Please take time to read them.

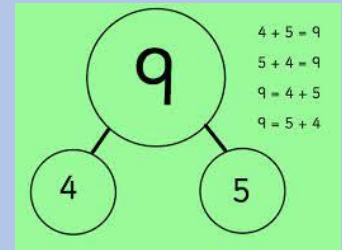
English

In English, we will create our own Bonfire sound poems and perform them to other children. We will explore the book Superworm by Julia Donaldson and will use this story to learn about

adjectives to describe our own superhero called Superworm. The children will also be learning about non fiction books and report writing and will write their own reports about amazing worms and other nocturnal animals spotted in our local area. We will use our Read, Write Inc phonics to help us read and spell words using our Fred Talk.

Maths

This term in maths the children will be learning about Addition and Subtraction. In Year 1. We explore this concept through the part, part, whole model. We will look at our number bonds up to 10 and finding fact families. We will use the Maths vocabulary, plus, add and is equal to.



There will be daily opportunities to solve problems in maths lessons and most importantly through play. Our maths area will support problem solving and give the children a chance to practice their new learning independently using familiar resources.

Research Topic



This half term we will be studying History and learn how to be historians. We will learn about Guy Fawkes and The Gunpowder Plot.

We will also be learning about poppies and Remembrance Day, then we will make our own poppies to display within the local community.



Design and Technology

In Design and Technology, we will be making puppets linked to our work in English about Superworm and other nocturnal animals. We will have fun designing the shape of the animals, then use our creative skills to make our nocturnal animal models.



Art

In the run up to Christmas we will be creating some lovely Christmas crafts, that the children can take home. We hope you like them!

SEAL, PSHE, SRE

In PSHE we will be celebrating our differences and learning about the different characters in our PHSE Curriculum. We will look at what makes us unique. We will discuss this in assembly and also in our classroom, linking our learning to this theme.



Music

Our Music Topic is called 'Rhythm in the Way' and 'Banana Rap'. We will learn about rhythm and the rap style of music. We will listen to lots of examples, then have a go at performing to our friends in the class. It should be good fun!

PE

The sports coach will be taking us this half term to participate in team games .Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school and the kit has their name in as their names can wash out over time.

PE kit

- White T-shirt (plain)
- Black shorts
- Pumps or trainers with non-marking sole for indoor games
- Bare feet for gymnastics



Please note that children who do not have the correct PE kit in school on PE days may not be able to participate in the lesson for health and safety reasons.

PE kits can be kept in your child's locker for the half term and can be taken home for the holidays to be washed.

RE



We will be learning about Believing this half term and we will look at this through Bible stories in the Christian faith. We will celebrate different religions and festivals. We will also be learning about the Christian story of Christmas and will be getting ready for our Christmas Nativity.

Homework

Homework is to read every night for five minutes, this is very important to ensure your child is successful in reading.

This half term the children will also get an additional homework task each week on a Monday which is to be handed in by the following Monday.

Please ensure your child's name is on their homework and is handed to the teacher.

Thank you

We really look forward to our second Autumn half term. The children are making lots of progress and we thank you for your wonderful support with reading!

If you need to get in touch, please speak to us on the classroom door or telephone the school office, or alternatively email school at admin@aldwyn.tameside.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards, Mrs Parks and Mrs Allen.