



'Down In The Jungle' Year 1 Autumn Term 1 2016

Science

This term we will base our science around the question 'Why are humans not like elephants?'

The children will:

- Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores and omnivores.
- Sort and classify different animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.
- Recognise the similarities and differences in a variety of animals.
- Label the parts of the human body.

Art/DT

In art we will be studying the Primary Colours, creating and blending shades of green. We will be taking inspiration from Henri Rousseau's jungle pictures to create our own. In DT we will design and make jungle crowns relating to our fiction text.

PE/Games

Year 1 will have one indoor session and one outdoor session this term. In gymnastics, we will be looking at making different shapes with our body and focusing on various ways of rolling. We will be teaching them how to set up equipment safely. We will also be assessing fundamental movement skills, such as jumping, rolling and skipping.

Indoor PE will be on **Tuesdays** and outdoor PE will be on **Thursdays**.

Overview

Welcome to Year 1! The children have settled in very well this week, and we are so excited about the year ahead. Our topic this term is called 'Down in the Jungle'. We will base our topic around a story, 'The Crown of the Congo,' which is a quest tale about a journey to the jungle. Our jungle topic continues after half term when we will look at the warning tale 'Why Frog and Snake Can't Be Friends'.

Mrs. Badham, Mrs. Dodwell and Mr. Williams.

Maths

In Year 1, we will build upon children's existing mathematical understanding, focusing first on number and moving on to shape, space and measure, place value and calculation. They will continue to use Numicon, working practically to solve real life problems. We will be covering a different type of problem each week and children will be encouraged to record their jottings and workings out clearly.

Geography

This will form part of our main topic this term, focusing on the Congo. We will locate the world's continents, particularly Africa, and explore globes and atlases. We will also be naming and locating countries in the UK.

Forest School

On **Wednesday** afternoons, we will be venturing out for Forest School. As in Reception, the children will need: long trousers and long sleeved shirts. As it gets colder, a warm jumper and waterproof coat will be required (and trousers are great if you have them). Please can wellies be in a separate, labelled plastic bag. During our Forest School sessions, we will be making a plan view of the area and observing the changing seasons.

Literacy

Children will continue to be taught phonics through Letters and Sounds groups. This will take place every day.

In Year 1, we will continue our whole school focus with 'Talk for Writing' in which we orally rehearse the stories we have read, create story maps and write our own stories.

We will begin with a non-fiction text about forest elephants. Our fiction text is a quest, 'Crown of the Congo,' and we will conclude the term with poetry based around the jungle.

Computing

Our focus this term will be on E-safety. The children will be looking at a selection websites and considering who can see the information online. We will be covering our computing curriculum during the week of 10th October

PSHE and RE

This term we will be talking about new beginnings and 'what does it mean to belong.' The children will say what is important in their lives, explore how and why we belong to a school, community, family or religion. They will meet Mr. Hiscock from Woodmancote Free Church and hear some stories.