

Summer 2018

STJB Year One



Paws and Claws

Dear Parents,

This term our topic is Paws and Claws. In **Science**, we will continue to learn about changes that happen during the four seasons of the year. The children will be looking at what happens to plants during different seasons. We will be learning to identify and name a variety of animals into groups including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. The children will be sorting and organising these into carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. They will be learning to describe and compare the structure of a variety of animals.

In **Geography**, The children will be using maps, atlases and globes to identify the continents of the world and its surrounding seas. The children will be learning about hot and cold countries and where they are located in the world.

In **Computing**, the children will be learning to create instructions and understand what algorithms are.

During **PE**, the children will be taking part in dance lessons. The children will be learning to work together to perform a country

dance and maypole dance. The children will also be taking part in athletic games and swimming.

In **RE**, the children will be learning about the parable of the lost son. They will be looking at the meaning of the story. We will be learning how Christians believe that God and Jesus showed forgiveness by continuing to look at the Easter story.

In **Music** we will be continuing to learn new songs linked to our topic.

In **D.T** the children will be designing and making their own farm vehicle. They will be learning to use axles to make moving wheels.

In **Art** the children will be designing and making a clay tile. This will be based on an animal.

During **Open Futures** the children will be cooking, gardening, filming and participating in philosophical discussions. During gardening the children will be learning to identify and name the trees, plants, fruit and vegetables growing in the school grounds. In cooking they will be cooking a variety of savoury and sweet recipes. They will be using maths measuring skills to weigh ingredients.



This term we will continue to draw on all our different **ELLI** learning styles to help us with our different areas of learning.



This is just an outline of what the children will be exploring during this topic. We are using these news letters to give you information about your child's education. This will replace the foundation subjects comments on the annual report.

Homework

Please share books and hear your child read regularly. I will be giving weekly maths tasks to support your child in their maths learning. Each week I will be giving out phonics or spellings for your child to practise, this will help your child with their reading and writing. Please continue to use the Song of Sounds C.D and booklet to practise the year one phonics.

Any questions please come and see me. Kate Lax