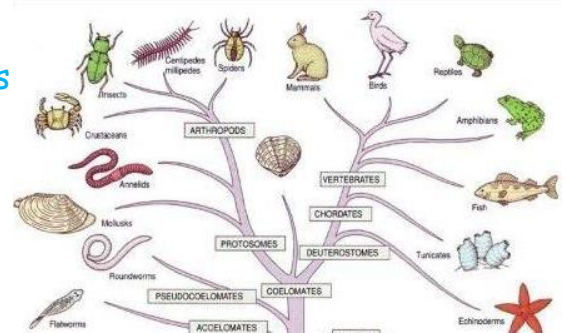


Out of Africa Curriculum Newsletter



The Earth is full of life with over 1.7 million species of living things that inhabit our planet. This term, we are going to investigate how those living organisms changed and evolved over time into all the plants and animals that we see today.

This is a topic that the children very much enjoy learning about and if you should have any artefacts that your child would like to share with their classmates, that would be great. In particular, in previous years, we have often seen some fabulous examples of fossils.



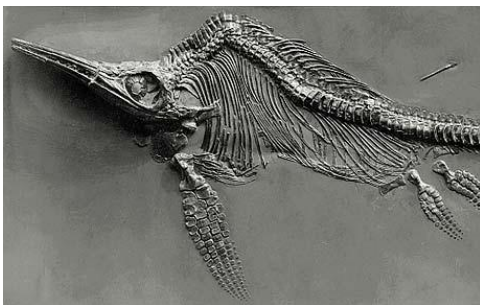
Maths

In Year 6, the children will be learning how to interpret and present data in pie charts. Additionally, the children will be investigating angles within shapes and transforming shapes on a grid together with revising key mathematical concepts prior to their upcoming SATs tests.

English

The children will be writing spooky stories based on a short film called Alma. Additionally, they will be revising key elements of spelling and how grammar is used in their writing prior to their upcoming SATs tests.

In reading, as a class, we will be studying the book 'Cogheart' by Peter Bunzl.



DATES FOR THE DIARY YEAR 6

April

17th Percussion Workshop

May

6th Bank Holiday

8th Class photos day

13th to 16th SATs assessments

24th Last day of Term 5.

June

3rd TD Day

4th First day of Term 6.



Evolution is written on the wings of
butterflies!

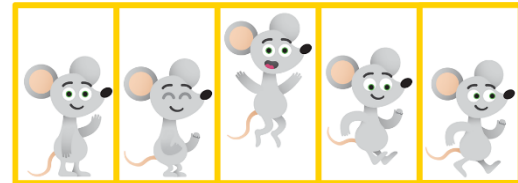
Science

The gaining of scientific knowledge and understanding form the focus of the learning in respect of this topic. The children will be investigating the evolutionary timeline and will be learning about how life came from the sea. Additionally, the children will be studying the era of the dinosaurs; relating specifically to the discoveries of Mary Anning.



Art

This is a key area of our learning this term in relation to the children developing their skills in digital art. The children will be looking at how video animations are made and they will then be using those skills to create their own short animation films.



PSHRE

This term, the focus for the children will be upon issues related to money. The children will be learning about issues such as keeping money safe and the risks of gambling, together with considering the routes to possible different careers for their future.



RE

The children will be learning about the parables in the Bible and the Lord's Prayer and how Christians approach challenging issues and help their local communities.



Computing

The children will be focusing on learning about the key features of Excel spreadsheets and how to use them.

PE

This term, the children will be focusing on improving their skills in athletics and cricket.

A PLEA ABOUT P.E. KITS!

Please can you make sure that your child (children) has a full NAMED P.E. kit in school. The kit should include a pair of black or navy blue shorts; a red t-shirt and a pair of NAMED trainers. Additionally, the children will need to be able to take part in P.E. lessons outside so can you please provide a tracksuit/jogging top and trousers for your child to use if necessary. Finally, can you also include a pair of socks in the kit, especially for the girls who wear tights.

Thank you.

Don't forget to check the school website
www.malmesburyprimaryschool.co.uk for up to date information.

