

Welcome to the Spring term and Happy New Year!

I hope you've had a great holiday! This next half term is yet again, jam-packed with lots of great teaching and learning. As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

## ENGLISH

This half term we are using the book 'The BFG' by Roald Dahl. We will be writing some fantastic descriptions, making dreams and potions and learning all about friendship.



We'll also be continuing with our daily phonics sessions and our guided reading sessions 3 times a week. Please remember to read a little every day, it makes such a big difference!

## MATHS

Yr 1 - learning place value of larger numbers before we go on to addition and subtraction within 20.

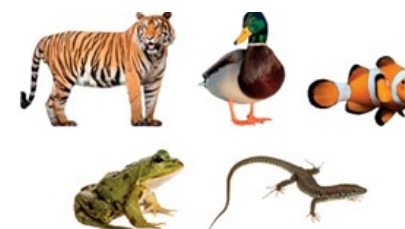
Yr 2 - addition and subtraction within 100 before starting a block of work on multiplication and division where we will start to build our knowledge of times tables.

Geography - What is it like to live in Shanghai?

We will be exploring similarities between Shanghai and Barrasford, looking closely at where each place is in the world and then delving into human and physical features.

## SCIENCE

This half term we are investigating Animals. We will look at the 5 different types of vertebrates and learn about their shared characteristics. We will also be looking at what animals eat and grouping them into herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.



## PE and PSHE

These sessions will take place every Thursday.

PE - Ms Lee-Turner will continue to teach us PE every week.

PSHE - Safety and the changing body

Learning how to respond to adults in different situations; distinguishing appropriate and inappropriate physical contact; understanding what to do if lost and how to call the emergency services; identifying hazards in the home and people in the community who keep us safe.

## MUSIC and FOREST SCHOOL

FOREST SCHOOL - Will take place every Monday with Miss Ross. This term we have signed up to the RSPB big school bird survey. We will carry out the survey before the half-term. Prior to that, we will be making hides, feeders, tables and learning all about bird identification.

MUSIC - Mr Brown will be in every fortnight and every other week, Miss Ross will take music classes on Monday afternoon. We will be composing our own pieces of music using our voices, our bodies and percussion instruments.

## ART/DT

ART - Understanding tone and texture. Exploring how artists use tone and texture, and applying these techniques in observational drawings

DT - Woven Wonders - developing pupils' ability to express opinions about art, use creative techniques like wool wrapping and weaving, and understand the work of artists like Cecilia Vicuña.

## RE

As well as daily collective worship, we are taught RE once a week. This half term we are answering the question - 'Who is Jewish and how do they live?'

