

## Art/DT

We will be using a variety of materials to create our sledges.

We will be using collage materials to make snowy scenes.

We will be making detailed observational drawings of penguins using charcoal



## Computing

This half term we will be using programmable toys to explore direction and positional language.

We will continue to develop our word processing skills, through Word, PowerPoint

## History/Geography

We will locate our country and Antarctica on a globe. We will consider the changes in our weather and will look at the weather in the Antarctica We will think about suitable clothes for cold weather.

We will find out about the explorers who journeyed to Antarctica and life there.

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## PSHCE

We currently follow the SEAL curriculum and our topic this term is 'Relationships'

We will be exploring friendship through Anti-Bullying Week and developing our Mission work through 'Compassion'

## MUSIC

We will be working with a music specialist to explore sounds and rhythm.

We be learning new songs for our Nativity performance.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

As we journey towards Advent you could make an Advent Wreath from things you find in Nature or from paper. You could use the Advent Calendar below to explore ways to be compassionate during this time.

<http://www.missiontogether.org.uk/advent>

Websites to support phonics teaching include

[www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)

[www.letters-and-sounds.com](http://www.letters-and-sounds.com)

## P.E.

PE takes place throughout the week; please ensure your child has named PE kits in school on the correct days.

This half term we will be skipping and talking about keeping our bodies healthy.

Children are taught outdoor PE on Mondays by our sports coach, Phil Coates. They will be focusing on ball skills this term.

## Educational visits and outdoor learning

We will be going on walks in and around the school to explore seasonal change as part of our science topic.

We will be having a special visit from the Christmas Elf to collect our letters to Santa.

## Literacy

We will be learning to write a range of information texts and non-chronological reports about topic of Antarctica, through leaflets, posters and reports.

We will be learning how to write in paragraphs and how to start sentences in different ways. We will be writing in a formal, impersonal style and learning how to set out an information text using books on our topic.

We will be writing letters to Santa and learning how to set out letters correctly.

We will be writing Winter Poetry using language and vocabulary we gather on our walks. We will be of poetry e.g rhyming couplets and sensory poems



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## Maths

We will be learning how to add and subtract numbers within 100 using number lines and maths equipment. We will be learning the different vocabulary associated with addition and subtraction. We will be using money to add and subtract using coins up to and including £1. We will be solving money word problems and using this in real life situations.

There are games to support our Maths work: <http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>  
<http://www.ictgames.com/resources.html>

## Spelling, Phonics, Grammar and Punctuation

We will be teaching the age expected spellings as well as revisiting phonic patterns and tricky words.

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/239784/English\\_Appendix\\_1\\_-\\_Spelling.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/239784/English_Appendix_1_-_Spelling.pdf)

We will be learning about nouns, verbs and adjectives and using correct punctuation Consistently.

Across Key Stage 1 we will be continuing our daily phonics lessons. Children will work in mixed phonics groups and there will be ongoing assessment to ensure the children are accessing the relevant phonics programme.

## Science

This half term we will be learning about Antarctic **Mammals and how they live within their habitats.** We will be studying how animals adapt to their habitat and simple food chains.

We will be revisiting **Seasonal Change** and looking at the changes in Winter.

## Homework

In Key Stage 1 the children will have homework books which will include a note each week which sets out the homework and when it should be returned. The homework will focus on basic skills, number, handwriting and sometimes topic based activities.

## RE

As a Catholic school we follow the Diocesan scheme of work, 'Come and See' Topics this term include

### Signs & Symbols and Preparing

In our Signs & Symbols topic we will be learning about the sacrament of Baptism and the signs and symbols and their meaning

In our 'Preparing' topic we will learn how Christians prepare during Advent for the birth of Jesus and how this special time is celebrated. We will be retelling the Nativity story including the Annunciation and Visitation