

Literacy

When the children return to school, we will write all about how we spent our holidays. Then we will look at range of writing styles, starting with the book Dear Zoo. The children will continue to create their own versions of stories and they will also begin to review and analyse features of different texts, such as Tinga Tinga Tales. This half term we will be really pushing the children to re-read their work to ensure they have heard all sounds and correct any errors themselves.

We are now expecting the children to be using punctuation such as capital letters and full stops more accurately throughout their writing. We will also focus on presentation, and will encourage the children to form all letters correctly and sit these on the line. Once we feel most children have cemented letter formation, we will begin to learn some joins in handwriting.

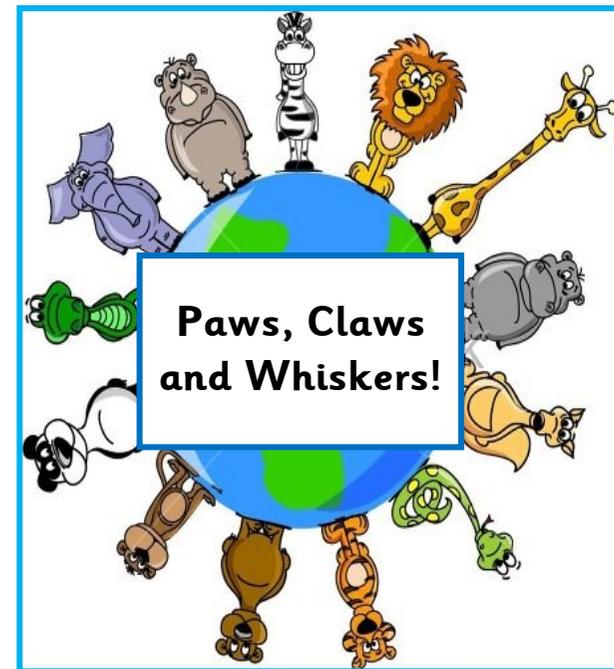
Numeracy

The children will continue to work on their calculation skills this half term. They will use their knowledge of numbers to use a number line and the language of: equal to, more than, less than (fewer), most, least. We will all continue to practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to help our mathematical skills develop further.

The children will look at the place value of numbers and also addition and subtraction using the skipping rope method (where the children add the ones together first, then add the tens together to get the answer) as well as using equipment such as cubes, 100 squares and dienes. Please refer to our calculation policy on our website for further information.

Throughout the half term the children will use these skills to explore money. They will also look at shape and fractions, in order to find a half and a quarter of shapes and quantities, as well as solving a range of problems involving weight, length, capacity and time. To do this, children will compare, describe and solve practical problems involving measuring and recording.

The children will continue to practise their number bonds to 20, which by the end of the year they should be able to recall with some speed.



Spring 1 at Archibald First School!

P.E. Days:

PE days can change at very short notice so please ensure that your child has their P.E. kit in school **every day**. Please also ensure that **all items of clothing are labelled**.

Class 3: Tuesday and Wednesday

Class 4: Tuesday and Thursday

Helpful Websites:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/magickey/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/wordsandpictures/>

<http://www.ictgames.com/>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/Key-Stage-1.html>

Digital Literacy Sites (E-Safety)

<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/teachers/ks1/sourcesDuck/index.htm>

http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/hectorsworld/