

Art and DT: This half term we will explore the local artist Thomas Bewick. Taking inspiration from his work, we will explore the media of clay and create our own clay animals. The children will use a range of tools to sculpt and add texture to their artwork. We will also develop our colour mixing skills to create backgrounds for other pieces of artwork.

PSHE: Year 1 will continue to explore what **No Outsiders** means to us. Following our 'No Outsiders' ethos, Year 1 will be exploring the book 'Max The Champion'. This book will open up discussions regarding our bodies, our health, and accepting and supporting everyone.

We will also be looking at a book called Ronald the Rhino which allows the children to identify their special people (family, friends and carers), discuss what makes them special and how special people should care for each other.

Spanish: Colours will be looked at this half term in Spanish. The children will learn how to say the days of the week and they will also learn parts of the body.

Role Play: Our role play will be a Veterinary Surgery. The children will be able to take the role of both pet owner and vet, treating the animals and taking care of them. If you feel you have any objects or any experience that could enhance this, please speak to a member of the Year 1 team.

Computing: This half term the children will use KidRex to safe search animals and create their own information text using PowerPoint. The children will learn how to insert pictures, and change the font and colour of the text.



PE: This half term we will continue to improve balance, agility and coordination. We will use our balancing skills to look at gymnastics. Children will explore point balances, perform balances in different shapes and positions, and look at travelling like a gymnast. We will even learn a gymnastics sequence! Please ensure **labelled** PE kits are **left at school** as PE slots can change.

RE: We will continue to learn about the importance of the Bible to Christians, and learn about some of the well-known characters' stories. We will discuss faithfulness, obedience, trust, and how to make and keep promises.

Music: We will be looking at our next Charanga unit titled 'Round and Round'. We will find out more about how pulse, pitch and timbre can create various sounds. As classes we will continue to perform using our voices and the glockenspiels. We also have a composer to learn about throughout the half term. We will be learning all about Mozart and the Classical Era.

Science:
This half term, we will look at different ways to classify animals, e.g. mammals, birds, amphibians, etc. We will look at what animals eat and what they need to survive. The children will be introduced to some very scientific vocabulary such as carnivores, omnivores and herbivores. We will have a visit from For Paws Animal Shows. The children will get the opportunity to handle animals and to ask any questions they have about taking care of each creature.

Geography:
We will make links to geography when we use atlases to explore where different animals come from and how they adapt to their habitats. We will compare what life is like in hot and cold places and look at how these places have changed over time due to global warming and urbanisation.