

Stock C of E Primary School

EYFS – Half term overview

Spring 1 – January to February half term

Topics: Cold/Winter, Arctic and Antarctic, The Chinese New Year

This term we explore the coldness of winter both in the UK and the coldness of the Arctic and Antarctic. We look at which animals suit the cold habitat and where in the world we can find them. We enjoy celebrating the Chinese New Year and explore some of the traditions and of course, get to eat some of the food.

Communication& Language	Physical Development	Personal, Social & Emotional	Literacy	Maths
The children are encouraged to articulate their ideas and thoughts in sentences. They are exposed to non-fiction texts and the vocabulary linked to the topics.	We have fun exploring yog through 'cosmic yoga' story sessions. These sessions develop the children's strength, balance and coordination. Weekly wood sessions continue as before.	We encourage the children to show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenges. Children are encouraged to talk about different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing as well as identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally.	With their developing skills, the children will be reading basic words as well as some tricky words. With their writing they will continue to develop their writing of basic words with continued accuracy of lower case and upper case letter formations.	Our number knowledge extends to 6,7,8 with us exploring how to represent each number as well as identify the number. Children will be exploring mass, capacity as well as length, height and time.
Understanding the world	Expressive arts & design	RE	Phonics	
We celebrate the Chinese New Year and recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. We recognise some environments are different to the one in which we live in and recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. We will use and explore simple maps. We will learn that some objects freeze and some melt. We will look for and recognise changes in the season and weather.	We encourage the children to develop storylines in their pretend play. The children will be creating artwork linked to the topics; developing their cutting and painting skills. The children will look at and perform their own 'Dragon' dance. We will explore how to make music and the basic principles of music We will be cooking cheese on toast (melting), creating a polar bear's face! Prepare and eat a chinese stir fry.	Exploring Judaism	Phase 2: recap Phase 3: ai,ee,igh,oa,oo,oo,ar,or,ur,ow,oi,ear,air,er, Words with double letters Tricky words: Was, you, they, my, by, all, are, sure, pure	

