



This term our values will be:

determination and respect

PE days and Forest School:

Year 1: Monday and Friday

Year 2: Thursday and Friday

Year 1 Forest school will still be on a Friday afternoon. We will email you with more information when it is your child's group doing forest school.

Key dates and events

Pied piper production: 8th January

African drumming: 9th January

Open classrooms (parents invited in to look at work): 11th February

INSET day: 24th February

World book day: 6th March

Trip to Marwell Zoo: 14th March

Parents evenings: 18th and 19th March

Easter service: 4th April

Years 1 and 2 Spring Topic:

Pioneers

The big idea

Years 1 and 2 will be looking at different pioneers from history and consider how they have changed how we live now

In History we will:

- Look at different famous figures from history such as Jane Goodall, David Attenborough, Tim Peake and Amelia Earhart
- Build up a timeline of famous figures to consider when in history different pioneers lived
- Compare the lives of people in history to our own lives.

In English we will:

- Read and respond to 'Fantastically Great Women who Changed the World' and will write biographies about Amelia Earhart
- Read and respond to 'The Great Explorer'.

In Geography we will

- Continue to develop our mapping skills and find different places in the world using maps.
- Find places with different climates, including where Jane Goodall studied and places that David Attenborough has visited

In Art we will:

- Paint inspired by the dark, looking at Vincent Van Gogh's art

In Science we will:

- Year 1 will be learning about seasonal changes, animals and caring for the planet
- Year 2 will be learning about plants, and living things and their habitats

How you can help at home:

- It is vital that you listen to your child read **at least 3 times a week**. They will have a decodable (containing sounds they can read) book as well as a library book for you to read with them.
- Please ensure your child is logging into numbots to practise their maths skills at home.
- Here are some helpful websites to support researching some pioneers at home:
 - https://www.ducksters.com/biography/women_leaders/amelia_earhart.php
 - <https://www.coolkidfacts.com/jane-goodall-facts/>