

Learning Project: The Arctic

Week commencing: 25.01.21



Let's zoom off to the Arctic! What amazing animals will you discover there?

Please keep in touch with us on Tapestry!

RE: We are continuing with our Celebrations theme and this week finding out about the Persian New Year. Click on these links to find out all about it! [\(191\) Nowruz: How millions celebrate the Persian New Year - YouTube](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=16MGdBvUhDA>

Collective Worship: This week, the line from The Lord's Prayer is 'Your Kingdom Come'. Talk to your child about what they think God's Kingdom is like and how people would behave there. They could then draw a picture. [\(191\) The Mustard Seed I Animated Bible Story | HolyTales Bible Storie - YouTube](#)

PSHE - SCARF: We are following the 'Keeping Myself Safe' theme at school this half term which asks the children to think about the different ways we can keep ourselves healthy and safe. Click on the link below for activities you can do at home which are similar to what we will be doing in school.

<http://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/scarf/home-learning-unit-3-Keeping-Myself-Safe-activities-during-self-isolation>

Don't forget to watch Harold's Daily Diary <https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/harolds-daily-diary>.

Weekly Maths Tasks

Reception and Year 1: Download a sheet of 3D shapes from the internet or look around your home for 3D shapes e.g. cereal box - cuboid, ball - sphere. Talk about their features eg, how many sides, corners etc. Talk about what 2D shapes you can see on the faces of the 3D shapes.

Sing the song about 3D shapes to help you learn them. [3D Shapes Song | Shapes for kids | The Singing Walrus](#)

This is a great little video about 3D shapes and has a quiz at the end. [2D and 3D shapes - KS1 Maths](#)

Play a matching game. Can you match the 2D shapes with the 3D shapes?

Go on a shape hunt outside on your daily exercise or around your house. Can you find everyday objects that remind you of 3D shapes? A lamp post is a cylinder, a book is a cuboid etc. You could take photos to put on 'Tapestry.'

Play a game of 'Guess the shape' Hide a shape encourage your child to ask questions about it's features in order to guess the shape. Swap roles.

[Shifting Shapes](#) is a nice game to play with your child. Use the torch to move around the shape, guess what the shape might be and then fully reveal it to see if you were right.

If you have any boxes at home (cereal boxes are great for this) try taking them apart so you can see what

Weekly Reading Tasks

Please make sure you continue to read a variety of books at home. Your child should be sharing a book everyday. This can be reading a book aloud everyday or sharing a book with an adult.

Register with Oxford Owl for free eBooks that link to your child's book band. You can create a free account by visiting the Oxford Owl website <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/> Here you will also find books to read and activities to do together.

Way up in the Arctic by Jennifer Ward. Click on the link below for this lovely book which starts with a story and then gives you Cool Facts about some of the animals in the story. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q5t6-WTyVuk&list=PLCpyVhYes_McLmoa5t35BgVumr4OQea&index=11

Look out for stories read by some of your teachers on Tapestry.

their net looks like and then make them up again.

Weekly Phonics/Spellings

Reception - This week we will be learning 'oi' 'ear' 'air' [Mr T's Phonics](#) with Geraldine the Giraffe has videos to help with pronunciation.

Please look at the tricky word 'all' and talk about the letters in it.

Practise tricky words 'he, she, we, me, be, you and they' by spotting them in a story book.

Listen to the tricky words song on

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TvMyssfAUx0&list=PLCLKSf1kRDSRP6OCf-lm0wAr2s7Y1LfkO>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R087IYrRpgY&list=PLCLKSf1kRDSRP6OCf-lm0wAr2s7Y1LfkO&index=3>

Year 1: Look carefully at the words below with 3 consonants at the beginning or end of the words. Children find these particularly difficult. Write them out on pieces of paper and ask your child to add sound buttons.

lunch scrap three string shrink bunch

screen thrill

We will now be starting to look at the alternative phonemes for the digraphs we have looked at so far.

This week's phoneme will be **ay**. This usually comes at the end of the word but not always!

**pay stay play may clay pray
tray stray**

Ask your child to practise writing these words and add the sound buttons.

Weekly Writing Tasks

Click on the links in the Learning Project below to find out about animals in the Arctic. Make an information booklet about your favourite Arctic animals including pictures and some writing on each page. You could share your booklet on Tapestry!

Keep a diary of what you do everyday. This will help your writing skills and if you keep your diary you will be able to look back at it to remember your time in lockdown. Don't forget to use the basic code to sound out the words.

Handwriting - using the 'rhymes for letter formation sheet' practise the following letters on paper, whiteboards, chalk etc.

l h b

Learning Project - to be done throughout the week: Animals from the Arctic.

<https://www.activewild.com/the-arctic-facts-for-kids/#:~:text=The%20Arctic%20is%20the%20region,like%20i%20the%20harsh%20environment> This is a handy website about the Arctic which also has some mini film clips.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DXxzmCFwTI&list=PLCpyVhYes_McLmoa5t35BgVumra4OQea&index=2&t=0s Information about 10 Arctic Animals.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jwdkg5eFaHs> A fun clip all about animal's winter coats.

Additional learning resources parents may wish to engage with:

At school, we will still have our PE session but at home you can join Joe Wicks live on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9.00am by logging onto his Youtube site. You can also take part on the other days with his recorded sessions.

Why not try another Cosmic Yoga: [\(191\) Joybob The Polar Bear | A Cosmic Kids Yoga Adventure! - YouTube](#)

Twinkl is offering free access to some of their resources which you might find useful. Just sign up for a free account with Twinkl <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/> There is also a Youtube channel for Twinkl where you can access songs, videos etc. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMY4o8_rPjmFootx7F4TvHQ

The BBC will also show curriculum content on TV every weekday, and their 'bitesize' service has some very useful videos. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/this-terms-topics>. This starts at year 1 but most of the year 1 content is also suitable for Reception aged children.

Phonics Play has some free games for practising blending sounds to make words. Find this here at <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources>

Phonics Bloom also has some good games.

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/>

Select phase 2 or 3 for Reception children

Phase 3 or 4 for Year 1

RSPB bird watch is happening on 29th January. You can register for this with the RSPB website to let them know which birds you spot and how many. [Big Garden Birdwatch | Join the fun - The RSPB](#)

Look out for Mrs Joy's videos on Tapestry; the song Friends around the World and also one about different wooden instruments, what they sound like and their names.

Hope you find this information useful and you and your child enjoy the learning. Thank you for your support. Willow and Oak team.