

## FS curriculum overview Spring Term 2016

Our topic for this half term is 'Carnival of the Animals'. The curriculum overview below roughly outlines how the different subject areas will be covered. Some activities may change or different activities may be added depending upon which areas the children choose to investigate further.

### Literacy and Communication and Language:

As readers we will read stories from other cultures including The Anansi Stories. We will also read traditional stories about animals, such as The Three Little Pigs and The Three Billy Goats Gruff. We will use non-fiction texts about animals and their habitats to find out information. We will read 'Rumble in the Jungle' to learn about rhythm and rhyme. As writers we will write stories based on traditional tales and create non-fiction books full of animal facts. As speakers we will orally rehearse stories and share our writing by reading it aloud. We will learn how to use expression when telling stories orally. We will present our homework to the rest of the class with confidence and pride.

### Visits, community links and events:

Easter service  
Carnival of the Animals day

### Expressive Arts and Design/Physical Development:

Design and make healthy snacks  
Design and make animal headdresses to wear at our carnival of the animals. Listen to Carnival of the Animals by Camille Saint-Saens  
Learn about pitch using voices and instruments

### Understanding the World:

As scientists we will identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and compare these habitats, looking for similarities and differences. Identify and name a variety of plants and animals make observations of these. We will learn about how animals obtain food. We will learn about basic needs of animals and humans, and how to look after them, including the importance of exercise, food and hygiene. We will learn to use a range of technology, such as Beebots, Digital Cameras and computer software.

### Maths:

As mathematicians we will practise counting, ordering, reading and writing numbers to 20 and beyond. We will learn to say one more and less than a number using both number lines and mental methods. We will practise adding and subtracting two single digit numbers practically. We will use our 'learn its' to solve simple problems including doubling and halving. We will use language related to size, weight and capacity in a range of real-life scenarios.

### PSED and RE

As citizens of the world we will celebrate Easter in services at Holy Trinity Church. We will learn about Spring festivals and celebrations of new beginnings.

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