

Spring 1

# Pet Detectives

Welcome back! We hope you all had a great break and are feeling refreshed for the new term ahead. This half term our focus will be on the non-fiction book "Our Very Own Dog" by Amanda McArchie. We will explore the different type of pets people have and how we should look after them. We will welcome different pets into our classroom and ask questions about them.

## Communication and Language

- Listen to and talk about non-fiction texts to develop new knowledge and vocabulary
- Ask questions to find out more and check understanding
- Articulate ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Manage their own needs and personal hygiene
- Talk about different factors that support health and wellbeing, including: exercise, healthy eating, a good sleep routine, toothbrushing, sensible amounts of screen time and staying safe near roads.

## Physical Development

- Develop overall body strength, balance, agility and coordination
- Develop and refine a range of ball skills including throwing, catching, kicking and passing.
- Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities involving balls

## Literacy

- Read some High Frequency/Tricky words
- Read some digraphs and trigraphs
- Read simple phrases and sentences
- Form lower-case and capital letters correctly
- Spell words and write short sentences

## Maths

- Continue to subitise (recognise a number of objects without counting)
- Compare numbers to 10
- Explore the composition of numbers to 10
- Recall number bonds for numbers 0-5 and some to 10.

## Understanding the World

- Make observations and draw pictures of animals
- Comment on some similarities and differences between animals
- Use non-fiction texts and ask questions to find out facts about animals

## Expressive Arts and Design

- Develop storylines in play
- Explore and engage in making music and dancing
- Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing feelings and responses
- Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques

## Dates for your Diaries

- Valentine's Cake Sale - Thurs 12th February
- Break Up - Fri 13th February
- Back to School - Mon 23rd February
- Trip to 'Mars' at Peel Cathedral - Tues 24th February (AM)
- Reception Special Assembly - Friday 6th March (PM)



# Thinking Back to Last Term

