



# Attenborough's Animals



Our Summer 1 half term will focus on some of the weird and wonderful plants and animals that David Attenborough talks about in his many nature documentaries.

We are going to continue to look at the animals that David Attenborough talks about in his many nature documentaries. This is because we love the topic so much, and also because we have our Special Assembly coming up, which will take up much of our time for the first two weeks of the term.

Having learned about simple, compound, and complex sentences, as well as how to write a paragraph, we're going to focus now on editing and improving. Every week, we will take a model text about an animal, find ways to make it better, and re-write it. We will also watch short clips about awesome creatures, write our own draft, edit it, and create a much better final version.

Our main focus in Maths will be on data handling where we will undertake surveys and record our findings in tally charts, data tables, and bar charts before discussing our findings. Remember that children have access to Times Tables Rock Stars, which they can access at home as a fun way to practise and improve their times tables recall. We will use TTRS intermittently in school this half term.

PE continues on a Wednesday morning. Please make sure that children wearing tights bring socks, and that notes are provided if your child cannot participate for any reason. We will learn how to use a compass to navigate, as well how to use maps of familiar areas to get around. We will also begin to look at some basic athletics skills, such as running, jumping, throwing, and catching.

Sport Day is currently scheduled for the 13th of May (Wednesday), with the reserve date on the 15th of May (Friday). It will likely follow the same timings, with KS2 in the morning and KS1 in the afternoon.

In Science, we will return to looking at rocks and soils, looking in more detail than we did in the Autumn Term. We will learn how soil and compost are formed, the types of rocks that exist around us and how they are formed, and what types of tests we can carry out to learn about both soil and rocks.

Please ensure that your child is reading every day, whether to an adult or to themselves. Daily practice is key to developing a love of reading, and a fundamental level of skill for the rest of their lives.

# Images of Spring 2

