



Weekly Learning Letter

Year Two

Week commencing 6.9.21

<p>This week in Year Two ...</p>	<p>What a fantastic start to year 2 the Polar Bears and Arctic Wolves have had. We are so very proud of them. 😊</p> <p>We began our topic 'What a Wonderful World!' by reading <i>Where is Home Little Pip?</i> by Karma Wilson and Jane Chapman.</p> <p>We compared the Arctic with the Antarctic and identified the features of each area using ariel maps. We also investigated how penguins are able to survive in the Antarctic habitat.</p> <p>In PSHE we have understood that people have different feelings and how to recognise/name those feelings.</p> <p>In computing we have practised logging into the desktops in the computing suite and created digital drawings of Antarctica.</p>
<p>Reminder</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to wear your PE kit on Tuesday and your swimming kit under your PE kit on Wednesday. Swimming hats are essential but goggles are optional. • Reading books should be brought in every day. • Next week we will be giving your child their Bug Club log in details. Bug Club can be accessed through this link: https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0 • We have planned a trip to Colchester Zoo on Thursday 14th October. Please see your child's class teacher if you are willing and able to come. Places are limited so not guaranteed.
<p>English</p>	<p>This week we read, learned and performed the poem <i>The Day the Zoo Escaped</i> by Michaela Morgan and Sue Palmer. We read with expression and used different voices for the verbs in the poem. We then experimented with using different verbs in the poem and then wrote our own poem based on <i>The Day the Zoo Escaped</i>. Finally, we practised our letter formation, published our poem and created an illustration to go with it.</p>
<p>Maths</p>	<p>This week we have recapped numbers to 20. We practised counting forwards and backwards, starting with different numbers. We then recognised tens and ones within numbers to 20. Next, we counted forwards and backwards to 50 and recognised the tens and ones within these numbers. Finally, we compared numbers within 50 and used the greater than, less than and equal to symbol.</p>
<p>Phonics & Spelling</p>	<p>We have been recapping and applying phase 5 phonics this week after a while away. We have explored our spelling words and applied these in our own writing.</p> <p>This week's spellings (which have been stuck in your reading diary) are:</p> <p>meerkat, Arctic, Africa, Antarctic, desert, habitat, ice and polar.</p> <p>Please encourage your children to learn these at home ready for the Big Spell at the end of the half term.</p>

To support your child's learning at home this week you could...

- Find some 2-digit numbers in the environment. Work out how many tens and how many ones.



- Put some 2-digit numbers in order starting with the smallest or largest.
- Write a list of how Antarctica is the same and different to your local area.

