

## Weekly Learning Letter

Year Two

Week commencing 16.10.23

This week in Year Two	We have been so proud of the children this half term. They have really settled back into school and have learned so much.  In geography, we continued to work towards answering our main enquiry: Why do emperor penguins and polar bears not live in the Sahara Desert? We did this by answering the mini enquiry: How are humans affecting how polar bears live? The children learnt that actions humans make around the world can affect other places, even if they are 1000s of miles away! The children then amalgamated their learning by answering the overall enquiry question.  In PSHE, we have begun our Jigsaw lessons. We have learned the Jigsaw charter and identified some of our hopes and fears for this year. We recognised when we felt worried and knew how to ask for help. We went onto understand the rights and responsibilities of being a member of our class and school and explored how to help myself and others feel like we belong.  In art and design, we have evaluated our final painting that has been inspired by hot and cold colours and Alma Woodsey-Thomas. We considered what we like about our painting, how we were influenced by Alma Woodsey-Thomas and how we want people to feel when they look at our painting.  In science, we have identified animals and plants that live in different habitat, learned that living things depend on each other and started creating food chains.  In computing, we learned that not all information online is true and identified quidelines nfor
	using technology safe in different settings.  In history, we have explored why Captain Scott is so famous today and how he should be remembered.
Reminder	<ul> <li>Next half term, please remember to wear your PE kit on a Wednesday and Thursday.</li> <li>Reading books should be brought in every day. Please try and read every day at home as well, it really helps your child's progress in all areas of the curriculum.</li> <li>We have given your child their Bug Club log in details. Bug Club can be accessed through this link: https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0 If you have any problems, please contact your class teacher.</li> </ul>
English	In English this week we have planned and written an information text about our own choice of animal, real or invented.
Phonics & Spelling	This week we have been reviewing how to add the suffix -ed or -ing to words containing ai or ay and the 'e' sound spelt ee, a or y.  This weeks spellings are: waiting, stayed, painting, street, dream, party, key, donkey  Please encourage your children to learn these at home ready for the Big Spell at the end of the half term.

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

## history and geography

Take a trip to The Polar Institute in the half term holidays! There is so much amazing information about Captain Scott and Antarctica.

https://www.spri.cam.ac.uk/museum/





Have a lovely half term and we will see you on Monday 30th October!