

Amazing Animals Year 1

Spring Term 1 2026

Christian Value: Wisdom

**Theme:
Heritage and Culture**

Key Questions

What is it like where we live?
Are all animals the same?
How are animals different?



Oracy

- To think about the speed and volume of your voice
- Give reasons for what you are saying
- To use vocabulary specific to topic

Reading

The children will:

- Listen to, read and discuss a range of quality texts, such as Pet Potato, Not Norman and Winter's sleep
- Discuss the sequence of events
- Discuss favourite words and phrases
- Ask and answer questions
- Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read

Writing

The children will:

- Read and listen to high quality texts to inspire their writing
- Write a persuasive letter
- Think of a sentence, say a sentence out loud and write that sentence down
- Use their sound knowledge to spell words independently
- Continue to use capital letters and full stops
- Learn to use question marks
- Remember to use finger spaces



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The children will be reading...

Be inspired by books:



Maths

The children will:

- Recognise numbers to 20
- Identify one more and one less up to 20
- Compare numbers to 20
- Order numbers to 20
- Add by counting on to 20
- Add ones using number bonds
- Use doubles and near doubles
- Subtract by counting back
- Subtract by finding the difference

Special Days

Monday 26th January- Year 1 Maths Workshop for parents

Tuesday 3rd February and Wednesday 4th February- Parent Teacher meetings

Friday 5th February- National Number Day

Tuesday 10th February- Safer Internet Day: Theme 'Smart tech, safe choices'

Music	PE and Outdoor Learning	Grammar and Spellings
<p>The children will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn a song called 'In the Groove' by Joanna Mangona- a song that demonstrates different styles of music Listen and appraise six different styles; Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra, Folk and Funk 	<p>PE- Team building. The children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-operate with a partner to complete challenges Explore and develop working as a team Develop talking, listening and sharing skills Use speaking and listening skills to lead a partner 	<p>The children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link ideas in a sentence using the joining word 'and' or 'because' Spell red words- they, said, was, would, should, could Use the plural 's' and 'es'
Art and Design Technology	Geography	PSHE
<p>The children will be learning about Alma Woodsey Thomas.</p> <p>The children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore printing techniques Design a piece of artwork in the style of Alma Woodsey Thomas 	<p>The children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Locate where in the world we are Talk about what we can see in the classroom and draw a picture map of our class Explore the school grounds Design a new school playground 	<p>The children will be learning about Citizenship. They will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the importance of rules Know that animals have different needs and how to care for them Understand the needs of babies and young children Recognise the ways in which we are the same and different to other people Identify the range of groups people belong to Begin to understand how democracy works
Science	Computing	Religious Education
<p>The children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and group animals Describe a variety of animals Compare the features of animals Identify animals that are herbivores, carnivores and omnivores Recognise animals that make suitable pets Describe the work of the famous scientist 'Jane Goodall' 	<p>The children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognise what the internet is and how to use it safely Identify how people's feelings and emotions can be affected by online content Plan a photo story Take clear photos Edit photos Search for and import images 	<p>The children will reflect on the key questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What do Jewish people believe? How do Jewish people live?