

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

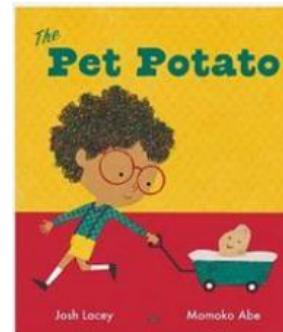
The children will:

- 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?