## Amazing Animals



## A Ticket to Ride





# Juniper Class Summer Term 2022

More about our topics...

These are incredibly fascinating topics with exciting activities planned across all areas of the EYFS curriculum. In our 'Animals topic we will be finding out about pets and how to care for them. We will also be learning about baby animal names, night and day animals, habitats, animals round the world and life cycles. In addition to this, we will be going on a minibeast hunt in the school grounds and designing an animal habitat.

In our 'Ticket to Ride' topic we will be finding out about different modes of transport both now and in the past. We will also be finding out about space travel and the astronaut Tim Peakes. We will create our own amazing rockets and see which one travels the furthest. We will be looking at our local area and comparing it to a seaside locality. The children will be learning about maps and will create their own. In addition, we will find out where in the world the children and staff have visited and find out a bit about life in these countries.

Make sure you continue to keep an eye on our web page/Tapestry to see the fantastic learning taking place!

### English

We will be continuing our Read Write Inc phonics groups and the children will start bringing home the reading books associated with this scheme to read to you at home.

Reading for pleasure and enjoyment will lie at the heart of our English curriculum so the children will continue to bring home a book of their choice from our bookshelf. We do not expect them to read it to you. It is for you to share with them.

We will be continuing to develop the children's ability to listen attentively and respond to what they have heard with relevant comments, questions and actions. We have some lovely books to share with the children including 'Rumble in the Jungle' 'Mad About Minibeasts', 'The Snail and the Whale' and 'Beegu'. The children will take part in group discussions and will be encouraged to share their own views. We will be re-telling, inventing and adapting stories and creating story maps. The children will also be learning a variety of topic related rhymes, poems and songs. We will be learning lots of new vocabulary.

In writing we will be focusing on forming the letters correctly, using the new vocabulary they have learnt in different contexts e.g. lists and poems. We will also be writing simple phrases and sentences.

Opportunities within all areas of the curriculum will be made available for children to develop their spoken language through discussion and role play.

#### Maths

Maths will be taught as an individual subject and we will be focusing on helping the children to achieve the Early Learning Goals in Number and Numerical Patterns. We will be specifically focusing on deepening their understanding of numbers to 10, subitising, doubling, sharing, odd and even numbers and verbally counting beyond 20. Alongside this we will be developing their problem solving and reasoning skills.

Take home task to support work in school:

To prepare for our summer 1 topic it would be brilliant if the children could draw a picture of their favourite animal and find out some interesting facts about the animal that they can share with the rest of the class. If they have the opportunity over the holidays, it would be fantastic if they could visit somewhere that has animals e g. a farm, an aquarium or a zoo

Thank you for your continued support.