Dosbarth Solva Curriculum Letter Spring 2022

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Language, Literacy and Communication

In literacy, we will be reading the following fiction stories to support learning linked to our topic

- The Tiger who Came to tea
- The Three Billy Goats Gruff
- The Shark in the Dark

We will explore these through Talk for Writing to develop our story telling skills in our role play areas and puppet theatre. We will also develop an understanding of poetry, by learning about rhythm and rhyming couplets. We will also be exploring non-fictional topics by learning about different habitats of groups of animals and asking lots of questions the Global Goals of 'Life on land' and 'Life below water.'

Knowledge and Understanding of the world

This term, we will be learning about ourselves and other living things. Our learning will take us on a journey around the globe to explore the localities of difference animal species, based on our interests. We will learn about their habitats, diet and the pronouns for different groups of wildlife both on land and at sea. We will also learn about the zodiac animals of Chinese New Year. This year is the year of the Tiger!

Physical Development

We will begin the term with music and movement to develop our gross motor skills through interpretative dance and yoga. After half-term, we will move on to team building exercises to help us learn the benefits of working together to succeed in a task. As well as our 'Shake and Wake' each morning, we will also engage in the daily mile and pause points as our 'brain breaks'.

Croeso nôl i Ddosbarth Solva!

Shwmae a Croeso nôl! We are looking forward to another exciting term of hands-on learning in our outdoor and indoor learning environments, where we get to learn about our topic "All Creatures Great and Small".

We will begin our topic by listening to the Old Testament story of Noah's Ark where we will learn the names of many animals and use our 'Pupil Voice' to choose which species we would like to learn more about throughout our topic learning. We will also learn about endangered species and human impact by looking at the books 'The Lost Words' by Robert Macfarlane and 'Hello, Hello' by Brendan Wenzel.

Hwb

In the event of a returning to online learning, we will be using Hwb as our online learning platform. I will shortly provide you with your child's HWB log in details. We will be working with the children in school to practise logging in and using HWB so please feel free to explore this at your leisure at home.

Humanities

We will be developing our knowledge and understanding of the world by learning about ourselves and other living things. We will be learning about the different groups of animals and where they are likely to be found. We will also explore closer to home by discussing last years Pembrokeshire visitor, Wally the Walrus! We will develop our understanding of animals on land and sea by listening to the story of 'Except the Arctic' and identify reasons why certain animals do/do not belong in the arctic. This will help us to become Ethical and Informed citizens of Wales and the world.

Welsh Language Development

We will continue to develop our oracy skills in Welsh this term as well as recapping our learning from the autumn term. This half-term, we will be focusing on learning how to count to 10, colour names and continue to use simple phrases with a daily class helper known as our 'helpwr heddiw'. After half-term we will return to celebrate our annual Eisteddfod for which we will learn and Welsh poem and song that we have learnt with Mr Morris.

Mathematical Development

In numeracy this term, we will continue to develop our recognition and formation of numbers through various rhymes and songs to form the foundations of our mathematical development. We will also have lots of opportunities to use our numeracy skills through problem solving activities.

We will use our numeracy skills across the curriculum through practical tasks such as making playdough, cooking and counting out resources. Additionally, we will explore and begin to form an understanding of how to measure weight, temperature and length.

Religious Education

Our values for this term will be:

- Intentional and Prophetic
- Grateful and Generous

We will learn to share and display these values through our awesome actions 'fantastic friends' and 'ready and respectful'. We will begin the year by learning about 'Celebration' where we will introduce Chinese New Year. We will then move on to 'Gathering', followed by 'Growing'.

Personal and Social Development

This term we will be learning to take responsibility for our own actions and develop a positive self-image and a sense of belonging as part of different communities and have an understanding of our own Welsh identity.

We will also work on our ability to socialise and work well with ours through team building activities in P.E. later this term.