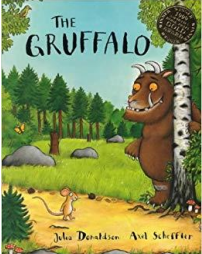
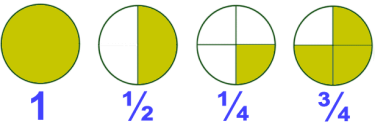
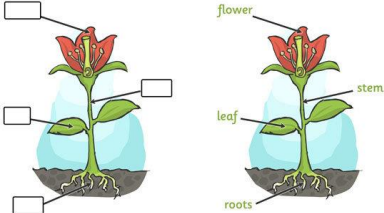








Penguins Topic Newsletter
Spring Term 2019

The following information is intended to give you a clearer understanding of the work your child will be doing during the Spring Term.

Curriculum Title: **Explorers**

During the Spring Term the children will be learning about:

| English | Maths | Science |
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| <p>During this term the children will be focusing on <i>The Gruffalo</i> by Julia Donaldson and creating their own writing from this such as-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retells • Instructions • Narrative Writing • Poetry  | <p>This term we will be looking at Measurement and Fractions. The children will need to be able to measure using centimetres and metres and compare their measurements. They will also need to recognise, find and name halves, quarters and thirds of shape, objects and numbers.</p>  | <p>The children will be looking at Plants this term. This will include growing and making observations of their own bean seed, identifying different plants and trees on nature walks and labelling parts of a plant.</p>  |
| Computing | History & Geography | Music |
| <p>Children will be exploring Purple Mash. Our very own online learning environment where they will begin to-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and debug simple programs. • Understand what an algorithm is. • Use technology safely and respectfully.  | <p>In Geography we will be learning about our world. This will include being able to label the continents on a map and the countries within the United Kingdom.</p>  <p>Our History topic will allow the children to compare different modes of transport and learn about famous explorers from the past.</p> | <p>The children will take part in weekly singing practice with Miss Justyna where they will learn to perform new songs from past and present.</p>  |

| PSHE | Art | RE |
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| <p>Our main theme for this term is: Going for Goals</p> <p>The children will start to understand that they can achieve almost anything they set their mind to. We will look at developing coping and managing mechanisms that will ensure we all meet our full potential.</p>  | <p>The children will be continuing to practise their sketching skills. This term they will be exploring the great outdoors for inspiration for their sketching of natural objects.</p> <p>At the end of the term they will use their sketching to help them create their own natural collage inspired by the artist Andy Goldsworthy.</p>  | <p>This term we are looking at Belonging; this could be within a community or a religious belonging. We will be linking this to Christian beliefs and taking a look at other religions and how they belong.</p>  |
| <p>PE</p> | | |
| <p>This term the Inspire+ coach will be in school every Thursday to teach the children Dance. The children will also have PE with Miss Pattern every Tuesday afternoon. We will continue with the Dance topic where the children will perform dances using simple movement patterns to different pieces of music.</p> <p>Please can we ensure suitable PE kit is in school on both of these days. If we are unable to use the hall can you make sure an outdoor PE kit is also provided for your child.</p> | | |

We would like you to:

- Continue to read with your child as much as you can at home. The children will be given rewards if they read with an adult more than three times a week.
- Make sure the children complete their Home Learning and send back into school the following Friday.
- Spelling tests and times table tests will be carried out every Friday. Can spelling books be in every Friday for this.
- Continue to support the children with the learning of their spellings and times tables.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Pattern