



# KS1 Summer 1

## What a Wonderful World!

### Our topic

This term, we will be looking at the incredible life and career of Sir David Attenborough. We will be looking at his nature documentaries and focusing on his conservation work, linking this with our learning on habitats and eco-systems.

### Objectives we will cover this half term are...

<b>Science</b>	In Science, we will be looking at living things and their habitats. Our learning will take us outdoors to explore the habitats we would encounter in our own environment as well as using the internet and non-fiction books to explore those further afield. This term also includes our Science Week where we will create some fabulous pieces of work to support our environment and the animals that live in it.
<b>Geography</b>	In Geography this half term, we will be engaging in map work. We will be learning about and naming continents and oceans, as well as identifying where we are in the world.
<b>Art</b>	This half term we will be using the work of Dominique Salm to link to our David Attenborough topic. We will take inspiration from her animal themed sketching and painting. We will explore the colour wheel and how we can use this to paint animal pictures that we have sketched. As part of our Picture This topic, we will also look at Picasso and create some art work which links to his style of sketching.
<b>Computing</b>	In Computing, we will be learning about creating media and digital writing. This will help strengthen our knowledge around technology. We are excited to put learning into practice by creating media of the outdoors.
<b>RE</b>	In RE, we will be using a range of religious stories to explore how these can help us in everyday life. We will also be exploring the feelings behind these stories and making links to our own experiences.
<b>PE</b>	In PE this half term, we will be focusing on a range of athletics techniques in preparation for our day of sports. We will be learning about the techniques involved in relay races, hurdles and general team games.
<b>PSHE</b>	In PSHE, we will be looking at how to keep ourselves safe in a range of situations, such as road safety and safety in the home. We will be moving on to learn about basic first aid and what to do in an emergency situation, and will be celebrating Mental Health Awareness Week as part of a whole school focus.
<b>Music</b>	In Music this half term, we will be exploring pitch and graphic notation. This will build on our music knowledge.

### Reading

This half term, the Year 1 children will be reading a range of non-fiction texts as part of their English learning, while the Year 2 children will be reading Little People, Big Dreams, David Attenborough.

We are continuing with our whole class reading rewards each half term for children who read at least 3 times per week. We will be sending reading books and home-school diaries home daily in your child's book bag to encourage regular reading at home. Your child will have the opportunity to change their reading books regularly in class but please note that it is their responsibility to do so if they have finished with a book. Don't forget that we still offer our library service on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** after school down in the Infant building.

## Maths Homework

Children will receive maths homework on a fortnightly basis. This will continue to be set on Doodle Learning. Each piece of homework will directly link to the learning they have done in class and will be tailored to meet the needs of your child. Please encourage them to work on this independently at home with minimal support, if needed. We expect maths homework to be completed by the given date. If it is handed in late, your child may be expected to complete it during their break time in school.

## Optional Creative Homework

To add to your child's learning experiences, we would like them to create something at home linked to our new topic, 'What a Wonderful World'. This could be in the form of a written task, a piece of art work, a 3D model or an IT based creation such as a Powerpoint, Word document or video. This homework is an optional extra but your child will be rewarded if they were to complete it.

### Below are a few ideas for inspiration:

- Make your own atlas, exploring the continents and the countries within them.
- Use ICT to make your own mini-documentary, just like David Attenborough.
- Create your own Powerpoint presentation with facts about climate change.
- Explore colourful animal print pictures, creating your own.
- Grab some popcorn and watch Wild Isles, available on BBC I player.
- Go for a woodland walk and find some micro-habitats.
- Have a family visit to the seaside and explore our coastal areas.
- Explore ways that you can help to preserve our planet, such as recycling at home.

