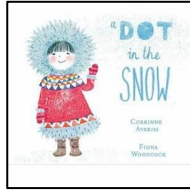


Next half term, we will be understanding the similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries; recognising that some environments are different to the one in which we live in. We will also observe changes in plants and animals during Spring and explore life cycles.

Contrasting Countries: The Arctic

Seasons: Spring



Key Words

country



What country do you live in?

seeds



What happens when you plant a seed?

Arctic



What is the Arctic?

plants



What is a plant?

Key Experiences

We will take part in a charity event to adopt a polar bear.

We will grow our own plants and observe the life cycles.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be learning to show care and sympathy towards all living creatures, including plants and endangered animals.

Help your child to plant a seed and look after the seedling.

Physical Development

We will continue to develop our gross motor skills through dance and movement inspired by the animals we are learning about. We will be showing accuracy and care when drawing.

Practise a step by step drawing of an Arctic animal with your child.

Communication & Language

We will express our ideas and feelings about our experiences using full sentences.

Talk to your child about what they have learnt at school. Model using full sentences.

Literacy - Reading

We will retell our favourite traditional tales and make up our own stories using puppets and drawings.

Talk to your child about the book of the week posted on the Home Learning Portal. Who are the characters? What happens in the story?



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Literacy - Writing

We will continue to write for various purposes, linked to our creative work. We will make lists, write notes and create posters.

Practise writing a shopping list together, reminding your child to use their Fred Fingers!

Maths

We will be recognising and ordering numbers from 11-20. We will explore doubling and halving using objects to help us.

Make some simple cards with the numbers 11-20 and practise ordering these with your child.

Understanding the World

We will learn about about life at the Arctic and and compare it to our own lives. We will grow plants and observe how nature comes to life in Spring.

Look up some animals that live in the Arctic and learn some facts about them.

Expressive Art & Design

We will explore textures and materials linked with the Arctic and design a bug hotel using natural materials.

Design a garden in a box (diorama). Try to choose recycled materials and bring it to school to celebrate your success!