

St Michael's Federation (Onny C of E (A) Primary School)
 KS1 Curriculum Summary - Autumn Term 2014

Our theme this term is "Caring and Pets"

English



The children will study a range of fiction and non fiction texts this term on the themes of caring and pets. The texts will include 'I Want a Pet' by Lauren Childe and 'Our Puppy's Holiday' by Ruth Brown.

We will start the term looking at labels, captions and letter writing in the form of get well soon and thank-you letters. This will move on to stories by the author Mo Willems. The children will also be creating their own photo stories about good manners and behaviour. Children will go on a visit to West Midlands Safari Park and write about their visit in the form of a recount - these will be made into mini books to share with the nursery class. They will be writing instructions on how to care for pets.

There will be a poem of the week each week.

Mathematics



We will continue to use problem-solving to teach mathematics. Children will be looking at: number and the number system; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; fractions, position and directions; shapes; measures; pattern and data handling.

Science



In science this half term we will be studying "The Human Body". After half term we are looking at "Animals". Throughout the year we will look at the changing seasons.

ICT



The children use computers in all areas of their learning just as they do pencil and paper. We encourage them to become as independent as possible and learn to use a range of simple programs. The children all have their own folders where they can access and save their work. This term they will be creating labels, making *powerpoint* presentations, using digital photography, looking at internet safety and using children's sites to research their information texts. They will also be creating bar charts and using *Beebots* (programmable toys) to look at fractions and directions in mathematics.

History



The children will be looking at pets and pet shops now and in the past. They will look at why we no longer keep certain types of pets and at how we are improving in the ways that we care for animals. We will also be looking at the importance of Remembrance Day in the second half of term.

Geography



The children will be investigating animals around the world and creating an animal map to show where different animals originate from. We will also be linking with a school in New Zealand.

<p>Design and technology</p>	<p>The children will be making a model 'petting zoo' for the classroom. They will look at the different types of animal enclosures and design interesting environments for their chosen animal.</p>
<p>Art and Design</p> 	<p>We will be developing the children's drawing and painting skills over the term and will also be looking at the work of Franz Marc. The children will make model animals for their petting zoo.</p>
<p>RE</p> 	<p>In December we will be studying the meaning of Christmas and preparing for our Christmas service. Rev Marie will be taking an assembly for us each week.</p>
<p>Personal Social Health Education (PSHE)</p> 	<p>In our theme of caring we will be looking at friendships and kindness, behaviour and good manners and respect for each other, for animals and the classroom environment.</p>
<p>PE</p> 	<p>In the first half of term we will be doing games with the children outside, while the weather holds up. We will be developing throwing and catching skills and playing simple team games.</p>
<p>Woodland Wanderers</p> 	<p>Forest school will be each Monday afternoon for Class One and Tuesday afternoon for Nursery. Please come to school in your forest clothes. Please can the children have their wellington boots in school with a named plastic bag for muddy clothes.</p>
<p>Spare Clothes</p> 	<p>Please could everyone put a spare pair of socks in their kit bags as spares after muddy or wet weather exploits!</p> <p>If anyone has spare unwanted wellingtons, socks, pants or jog bottoms they would be great for spares for school. Please do return any you may have borrowed.</p>

Huge thank you for all your continued help and support

Miss Morton