



This half term we are:

- reading a variety of different stories about Polar animals and birds such as ‘The Emperor Penguin’
- using our imaginations to act out stories in the role play areas
- continuing to learn how to recognise words that rhyme and to enjoy rhyming stories and nursery rhymes such as ‘Oi Frog’, ‘Oi Dog’.
- explore words that begin with the same sounds
- continuing to recognise the numerals 0 – 10 and beyond, learn to understand that numbers identify how many objects are in a set and that the last number when counting gives us the total
- learning to use positional (e.g. ‘next to’, ‘between’) and directional (e.g. ‘right’, ‘backwards’) language
- learning to recognise and describe 3-D shapes e.g. a sphere
- learning about the celebrations such as Chinese New Year
- learning about polar animals and birds in winter
- taking part in the RSPB Big Schools’ Bird Watch
- learning songs about winter and the weather

Topics are more child-led and planning will reflect the interests of the children. To inspire the children we will plan for themes. These may change due to interests. Some themes have been included due to details given during visits and may change through observations.

Please could you:

- talk to your child about the season of winter and the weather
- identify numbers in the environment (e.g. on signs), count a small group of objects together
- sing nursery rhymes and number songs with your child

Parents are invited to attend the ‘Nursery Reading Meeting’ on Wednesday 8th January 2020 at 2.45pm. Your child will be coming home with a shared story book. We will talk about the joys of reading and show you the reading record that will be sent home.