

Foxes Newsletter



Happy New Year!
As we head into 2018 our first topic will be 'Frozen Planet'.

English

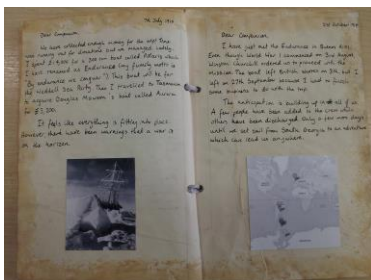


**"You can find magic wherever you look.
Sit back and relax all you need is a book."**

-Dr. Seuss

Talk to someone about your favourite books. Tell them about the characters and your favourite part. Retell the story in your own words. Can you make up your own adventure with the same characters?

As we look at the adventures of famous explorers such as Ernest Shackleton we will take a look at writing a diary.



Could you keep a diary over the weekend?

Have you remembered your punctuation? Read and check it makes sense. Be the teacher and correct your own mistakes!

We will also continue to use our handwriting joins in our independent writing.



Maths

As mathematicians we will be taking a look at multiplication and division. We will use the equipment to sort objects into 'groups of' and share objects out equally.

Try completing the multiplication to match this picture.



___ groups of ___ = ___

___ X ___ = ___

We will also be looking at the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

2-D Shapes



3-D Shapes



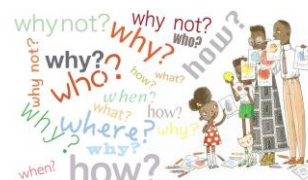
Remember to use the correct mathematical vocabulary!

2D **Corners** **Edges**

Curved **Straight**

3D **Faces** **Vertices**

As **scientists** we will carry out experiments, make predictions and record our observations and findings. As we venture to the polar regions in our topic we will take a look at how animals survive in the icy conditions.



Geography

As we explore the polar regions we will make simple comparisons. What is the weather like? Do people live there?



We will also locate the Arctic and Antarctica on maps, atlases and globes.

History

As historians we will look at famous explorers such as Ernest Shackleton and Robert Scott.



How did they plan for their expeditions? How is it different for explorers today?

Computing

We will use technology to create, organise, save and retrieve work.

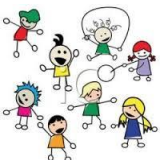


As **musicians** we will continue to explore pulse, pattern and pitch. We will also learn some fun new songs about polar animals.



Physical Education

PE will be on Mondays and Thursdays. Please make sure your child's PE kit is in school on these days.



We will develop our coordination, ball skills and use of space.

As **artists** we will use a range of materials to create polar scenes.



We will also look at the work of photography when capturing animals in their local habitats.

In DT we will explore how to build structures and make them stronger as we look at the way igloos are built in the polar regions.



Why are they a curved shape? Why do they have a long narrow entrance?

Diary Dates

Friday 9th January

Penguin Day

Come to school dressed as a penguin or in black and white. Prepare for a fun filled day of penguin activities.

School Closes on Friday 16th February and reopens on Monday 26th February.

Reminders

Foxes will change reading books every Friday.

PE Days have changed and are now on Mondays and Thursdays.