

Spring Term 1

Learning Experience: Frozen Kingdom

Core Value: Flying High

Rationale: (why are we doing it?)

Our planet's coldest lands will be the focus for our work this half-term. To do this, we will be using key geographical techniques to identify similarities and differences in the human and physical features of the different regions and developing mapping skills. We will also have an amazing opportunity to investigate polar exploration in depth. By learning about the harshest places on our planet the children will have a renewed appreciation for their own environment.

The Hook: What is the mystery powder? Instant snow!

Authentic Outcome of 'Frozen Kingdom' learning experience: Sharing of 3D scenes showing habitat and a chosen polar animal

The main curriculum subjects which focus on the outcome

English –

The ice bear – A mythical story

Survival guides

Ice themed poetry

Geography

Understand latitude, longitude, Equator, hemispheres, tropics, polar circles & time zones

Use 4- and 6-figure grid references on OS maps

History

Show an understanding of polar exploration

Art

Improve mastery of techniques - Ted Harrison inspired Inuit art

The other areas of the curriculum.

Reading Focus – understand how writers influence the reader, evaluate characters & discuss points of view

Spelling & Grammar Focus – prefixes and suffixes, modal verbs, expanded noun phrases and relative clauses

R.E – What matters most to Christians and Humanists?

P.E – Gymnastics & Hockey

Science – Living things and their habitats

Describe how living things are classified and give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

Maths

We will be focusing on these areas of maths this term:

Decimals

Percentages

Algebra

Home Learning

- **Reading** – Please support your child in reading every night for 20 minutes.
- **SPAG & Maths homework** – this will be sent home if it is felt necessary – please support your child in completing this
- **Home learning grids** – children should choose at least three activities to complete