



**Year 1 & 2**  
**Spring 1 – 2021**

*Arctic Adventures*

**As Writers we will:**

Build on our prior knowledge of structuring an information text to help us write an explanation text. We will be focusing on the process of how a polar bear adapts to the environment to survive, then use this to help us create our own Arctic creature. We will also continue our letter writing by writing to a famous Arctic Explorer and explore a variety of poetic devices when writing poetry.

**As Mathematicians we will:**

Consolidate our knowledge of place value and number and begin looking at measurement in Year 1. In Year 2, we will continue growing our knowledge of multiplication, including using arrays and grouping and move onto division by sharing, looking at data and statistics followed by geometry, with a focus on properties of shapes.

**As Readers we will:**

Focus on texts around our Arctic Adventures topic, including famous Arctic Explorers and continue to practise and learn how to segment and blend words. We will also learn daily Phonics and have daily Guided Reading sessions.

**As Scientists we will:**

Use our knowledge of what living things, including humans, need to survive to learn about different climates and habitats of various Arctic animals.

**As Geographers we will:**

Build on our previous knowledge of finding human and physical features in our local area and start identifying these on a map in countries in the UK and continents and oceans around the world.

**As Multimedia Specialists we will:**

Start to look at various computing programmes including Microsoft Word and PowerPoint. We will learn key computer skills, such as typing and creating basic presentations linked to our topic.

**As Artists we will:**

Build on last term's knowledge of primary and secondary colours and use this to help us develop our colour mixing skills. With this, we will create an Arctic collage.

Welcome back - we hope you had a fantastic Christmas break!

During these uncertain times we are all working hard to ensure that our school is as safe as possible. We are making sure that the children are given the opportunity to discuss any concerns during collective worship. Because of the unpredictable British weather, PE days may move throughout the week so therefore please make sure your child has their kit in school from Monday to Friday. All children will have weekly spellings, reading and maths homework. There is also the topic related pick and mix homework that should also be completed.