



As language specialists, we will...

be imagining life through the eyes of an insect. We will be using extracts from the book 'Wild Stories' as well as film footage from Bugs Life. Are ants always busy, do they ever get time to put their feet up? Is a spider as scary as we first thought? How does it feel when it hears screams of panic? Our reading skills will be challenged as we question, research, explain and debate.

We will be reading James and the Giant Peach as our class 'read aloud' and discovering more about the wonderful creatures created by Roald Dahl.

We will be studying the book 'The Wild Robot' by Peter Brown and thinking about what it means to be home. Could you ever feel at home in a completely alien environment?

We will use our skills as writers to become accomplished estate agents.

As geographers we will be heading out and about in Keyworth to study to human geography of the area. We will be conducting surveys to answer questions such as: How many shops do the people of Keyworth need? Is there anything missing? Which roads have the most traffic? How could we improve Keyworth to make it better? This will develop our understanding of our local area.

As historians we will be finding out about how Keyworth has grown and changed over the years. During our WW1 topic we started to analyse photographs and sources from years ago that showed where our village started. We will be filling in the years between then and now as we look at the key developments in the village.

As scientists we will be looking into the life cycles of different animals and considering what it means to be alive (the things we need in order to remain so!). We will also be learning about the diets of different animals and will be looking at food chains. In our investigations we will be finding out which animal will come out on top...

Across the curriculum

As athletes we will be continuing our work on football skills, building up to being able to play as a team. We will also be working with our sports coach to put together routines to music using both dance and gymnastic skills.

As musicians we will be using the percussion instruments to create a composition as a group. We may even get the chance to conduct a class orchestra.

As expressive artists we will be focusing on pencil drawings of all creatures great and small as well as using the clay to create different animals in 3 dimensions. We will look at the patterns and textures of different animal coats and how to recreate the effect in pictures of our own.

As computer specialists we will be logging on to the computers and learning how to create and format a document in Word. We will use these skills to put together job adverts as part of our English work.

The Big Idea...

'Home is not a place, but a feeling.'

Through our curriculum this half term, we will be considering what makes a house a home. We will be investigating the world on our doorstep and travelling further afield as we think about the past (where we started) and the future (what we will become). In comparison we will explore the homes of other animals as we immerse ourselves in fact and fiction that will allow us to see the planet through the eyes of different creatures.

As mathematicians we will

Work with money, combining coins to make different and equal amounts, as well as using our addition and subtraction skills to work out how to pay and give change. We will build on arithmetic strategies and gain further experience of column addition and subtraction. We will also investigate the properties of 2D/3D shapes; fractions (finding $1/3$, $1/2$, $1/4$, $3/4$ of a length, shapes, objects and quantities) and being able to write simple fractions of numbers and recognise equivalents.

Knowledge of the World

Can technology take over? We will consider the future and how robots and computers have already mastered the jobs of humans and the impact of this on our world.

Citizenship

Keyworth is about to expand. Houses and facilities will provide new opportunities but what effect does this have on the people who already live in the village?

Ambitious thinking

Empathising with other living things is an important step in learning to care and understand. We will be seeing life through the eyes of other animals and broadening our thoughts and feelings.