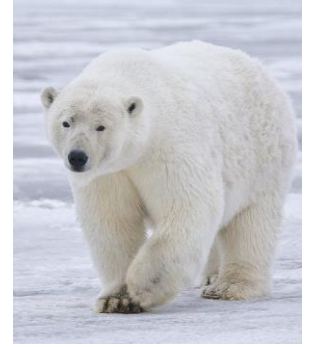




Life in the freezer



Spring 2018

Year 1 and 2

Charles Wicksteed – Mrs Lisa Lewell

Steven Redgrave – Mrs Rachael Eager

David Attenborough – Miss Catie Bass

Topic The focus of our learning this term will be life in the freezer. We will be focusing both on the Arctic and Antarctic regions of the world. Children will learn to locate these areas on a globe and research the weather patterns associated with home and abroad. As part of this topic we will be visiting Birdland to meet the penguins and their keepers. This will provide us with a real hands-on experience of one of the animals that we will be researching. Watch out for our other secret trip later in the term. It will be icetatsic!



Literacy

We will be starting off the topic with an Oliver Jeffers story entitled *Lost and Found*. The children will retell the story in the correct sequence and develop their story language. They will also have the opportunity to make hot chocolate and write instructions. Throughout the term, they will be learning to read information about penguins and the Inuit people, presenting facts in the form of a report.

We will be focusing on punctuation and the correct use of capital letters and full stops.

Maths

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The focus in mathematics this term will be number and place value. We will be completing activities that include counting, ordering larger numbers, identifying the number of tens and ones in a number. We will be multiplying and dividing using objects and recording our working out by drawing. Look out for fractions, there might be a few cookies flying around the classroom! We will also be giving the children opportunities to apply their knowledge and solve problems.

Science

Our focus will be animals and humans as animals. Children will be conducting a variety of experiments to develop their questioning, reasoning and problem solving skills. For example children will be investigating how and why animals adapt to their environment. Something very interesting to look out for will be our investigations into food chains and the skeletons of animals.



Religious Education

We will be learning about people in Christianity and answering the question – What can we learn from Jesus and St Francis?



Physical Education

The children in Year 1 & 2 will have PE each week. Please see below:

Charles Wicksteed Class – Tuesday

Steven Redgrave Class – Tuesday

David Attenborough Class – Tuesday

Please make sure that your child has the correct **named** PE Kit in school at all times. This must include: black **tracksuit bottoms**, a hoody or tracksuit top, a plain white t-shirt and trainers or plimsolls.

Homework

As outlined in our homework policy, children will receive:

- Weekly Literacy (spelling & grammar).
- Maths homework at the end of a unit. (Every 2-3 weeks)
- Termly Topic Homework (see box for details)

Homework books will be given out on a Friday. Please make sure that your child brings their completed homework back to school by the following Wednesday.

Topic Homework

The children will be given a choice of 6 different challenges to complete. They **must** all do at least one.

Due: Monday 12 March 2018



Reading

Please make sure that your child reads their book at home **every day** and remembers to hand it in to be changed. As a reward, they put their name in to a box and at the end of each week one lucky name is pulled out and they can choose a prize. All of the children will have books allocated to them on Bug Club for them to read and answer questions online. Please try to keep your 10 minute pledge!

Growth Mindset and Values

This terms values are Hope (January) Peace (February), Wisdom (March) and Sacrifice (April) Please help your child to fill in their Values passport. We are also promoting the language of a Growth Mindset so please encourage them to share their Growth Mindset learning with you. E.g. "I can't do it yet!"



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Week beginning 8 th January	Look who's talking competition (children in KSI should've learnt a poem off by heart and prepare a talk about something that is special to them).
Tuesday 23 rd January	Charles Wicksteed class visit East Carlton park
Wednesday 24 th January	Steve Redgrave class visit East Carlton park
Thursday 25 th January	David Attenborough class visit East Carlton park
Wednesday 7 th February	Key Stage One visit to Birdland
Friday 9 th February	School closes for half-term at 3.15pm
Half Term	
Monday 12 th February	School opens as usual at 8.45am
Monday 12 th March	KSI Homework showcase for parents at 2.45pm
Wednesday 21 st March	Parent consultations 3.30 – 7pm
Thursday 22 nd March	Charles Wicksteed class assembly at 9am (parents invited)
Thursday 22 nd March	Parent consultations 3.30-5pm
Monday 26 th March	Key Stage One "icetastic" surprise trip (details will be confirmed nearer the time)
Thursday 29 th March	School closes for Easter holidays at 3.15pm



Don't forget to follow our 1/2 Blog to keep up to date with all the fantastic work the children are doing.

www.standrewsyear12.wordpress.com

Also don't forget to follow us on twitter @BenArnell

Links to all the above can be found on our new school website: www.standrewsprimary.org.uk

