



Termly overview for parents and children in Sparrows Class:

Term 2, Autumn 2025

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had an enjoyable, relaxing Half Term break and are looking forward to an exciting term! We are looking forward to starting our new Geography topic, Winter Wonderland.

Our exciting geography-based topic this term is Winter Wonderland. We will focus on three key texts, The Gruffalo, The Gruffalo's Child and Lost and Found. We will be learning all about the geography of Antarctica. We will learn about the continents and the equator. We will find out about hot and cold climates and the animals which live in Antarctica and their habitats. We will also focus on exploration and the explorers of Antarctica. We will also go on winter welly walks to the local woods. In the classroom we will develop a nature corner focussing on what we find in the locality and mapping the local environment. We will build on our prior learning on seasons and weather patterns and further develop our understanding of climate and climate change. Please see the attached Topic web for detailed coverage of the curriculum.

Being safe at school, home and online are key priorities for us. Keeping Safe at KSM will be covered in regular PHSE lessons. Whilst studying our topic we will be learning skills for life. Our Christian Value this term is Compassion and our British Value is Mutual Respect. We will be learning about these core values through assemblies and as part of our everyday learning.

This term, Sparrows class will also be working hard preparing for their performance of the KS1 Nativity play, 'Fleece Force' We are looking forward to sharing this with you later on in the term.

Homework will start in the second week and will be given out on Thursday and collected in on the following Monday. There will also be up to 5 tasks to complete during the term and the grid will be sent home next week. Thank you for your continued support with reading as part of weekly homework. Please encourage your child to read at least three times a week and make a note in their reading diary. Children will be listened to every week either individually or as part of our guided reading programme (either whole class or group work) and books will be changed weekly. If your child finishes their book please encourage them to re-read the text as this helps to develop their pace and fluency. Your child will bring home a reading book and also a sharing book for you to read with them. Sharing and reading books (including being read to) is also a key part of developing your child's language and understanding. Asking questions to retrieve facts, encouraging children to make predictions and summarise the text are all key skills that are important to practise.

Please could all children remember their reading books, diaries and water bottles every day. Coats are also needed every day as children access outdoor provision through their independent learning along with play and lunch time. Please check that children have a full outdoor PE kit with trainers this term.

Finally, if you would like to discuss anything regarding your child's learning please do not hesitate to come and speak to us after school. We look forward to meeting with you at parents evening next term.

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