Vocabulary

Literacy: safari, cub, lion, safari animals, hot, savannah, desert, nature, plants.
Maths: weight, heavy, light, same as, seven, eight, add, take away, one more, one less.
Topic: world, changes, growth, weather, sea, mountains, bugs, fish, forest, animals.

Phonics

Phonics is a method of teaching used to support reading and writing. We follow the Letters and Sounds scheme and we will continue our learning of phase 2 sounds, as well as segmenting and blending.

Encourage your child to use Phonics Play - https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/
Username: holytrinitycep       Password: seashell

Homework

Each day your child will be bringing home a blue contact book. This is for any messages that you would like to convey to the teachers.

Your child will be bringing home a reading book and reading record book daily. We encourage you to read with your child daily and record a comment of their reading in their record book. Reading books will be changed accordingly. We would request you to encourage your child to retell the story, sequence the story and discuss how the characters might be feeling. They can even predict what might happen next.

We ask that you encourage your child to practise writing their name at home as well as recognising letter sounds in words.

Please continue to support your child with writing their sounds and numbers at home.

Natural World

Term 4
Reception - Goldcrests and Wagtails
Mrs Mudassar and Mrs Kalapi
Literacy

This term we will be reading and exploring the book 'One Day On Our Blue Planet... In The Savannah.'

This term we will be continuing 'Helicopter Stories' which has helped children with both their communication and language as well as their story telling skills. They will begin to tell and act out their own stories.

Children are learning to write words and sentences using their phonics knowledge whilst also segmenting and blending as they write.

Overall aims:
- To write words to describe a picture.
- To act out a story.
- To design and write a postcard.

Mathematics

Children are continuing to learn about different numbers and create number sentences using addition.

We will begin to learn and explore weight. We will be using a variety of instruments to measure the objects and compare their weight.

Overall aims:
- To recognise one more and one less of a given number.
- To use correct language when exploring weight.
- To add single digit numbers.

Topic

This term our topic is Natural World.

This term we will be learning all about the world around us.

We will be exploring nature and life in the safari, whilst also learning about different animals that live in the safari.

Overall aims for Personal, Social and Emotional development:
- To work confidently as part of a group.

Overall aims for Expressive Arts and Design:
- To move and make sounds of various living creatures.
- To explore safari colours and sketch and design safari animals.

Overall aims for Understanding The World:
- To recognise and describe special times and events for family or friends.

Overall aims for Physical Development:
- To make observations of changes in animals and plants.

Overall aims for Communication and Language:
- To use past, present and future tense accurately.

We will also be learning and exploring the Easter Story. We will show our learning by acting out the story whilst also completing various activities linked to Easter.

At the end term we will be celebrating our learning of Easter with a picnic joined by our family and friends (further details to follow).