



Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

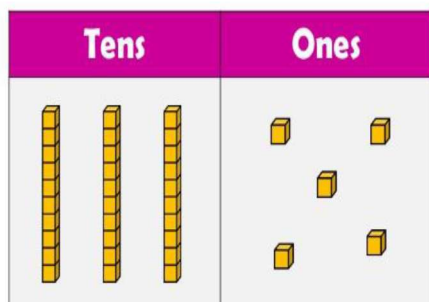
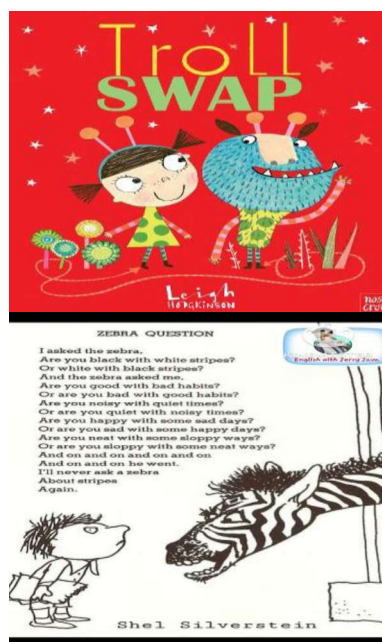
Moorlands are so happy to have everyone back in school and hope that you are ready for the year ahead.

We have got very exciting things coming up this year and can't wait for our Year 2's to experience it all!

English

In our English units this term, we are learning about how to use expanded noun phrases to aid accurate description within a narrative. As a hook for this, we have been reading 'Troll Swap'. Writers are also expected to apply conjunctions such as 'and', 'so' and 'because' to add further information.

Our following writing outcome will look at writing poetry using the writing stimulus 'Zebra Question'.



Maths

This term of maths will see Year 2 refresh their understanding of place value, addition and subtraction. We will be doing this through a range of contextual stories, word problems, games and challenges. The children will be using concrete and abstract materials to help them visualise numbers and compare them using more than and less than signs.

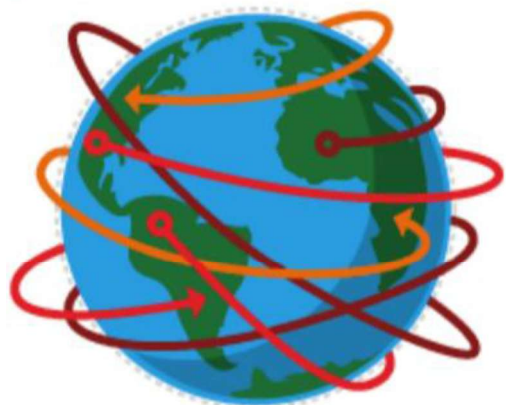
The children will be using part whole models to help represent and split numbers in a variety of different ways. This will help deepen their understanding of number and partitioning into tens and ones.

We will also be exploring counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s using number lines and concrete resources to help begin their journey into timetables.



History

This half term in History is all about immersing the children in learning all about the Civilisation of Mesopotamia. We will be exploring why civilisation developed in the Fertile Crescent, analysing the importance of the development of writing and Hammurabi's Code and comparing religious worship and daily life with today.



Geography

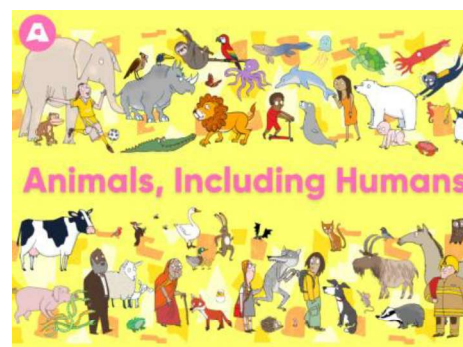
This half term in Geography is all about immersing the children in learning about the world - Globes and Maps.

We will be learning that: A globe is a map displayed on a round surface. Using globes and different types of maps, we will investigate the features of Earth and how we are connected

Science

This half term in Science is all about immersing the children in learning about Animals, including Humans

In this unit, children will learn that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. They will find out about the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival and they will be able to describe the importance of exercise for humans, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.





PSHE (Jigsaw)

The topic for the first half term is 'Being Me'. We will be exploring our emotions and thoughts and feelings around how important it is to be yourself. Celebrating their strengths and the aspects they bring to their class community.

We will then move on to 'Celebrating Differences.' The children will look at challenges and differences people face in their everyday life and how they overcome these challenges.



RE

In RE lessons this term the children will be exploring wisdom. We will be introducing the Myrtil/statue and images of Ganesh. Discussing what they may already know about this particular God. We will be linking the context of wisdom to the story of Ganesh.

PE

In PE we will focus on Ball Skills and gymnastics. On both PE days, children may wear trainers to school and will remain in their PE kit for the whole day.

PE kits should consist of:

- House colour T-shirt or white t-shirt
- Black or navy shorts/tracksuit/jogging bottoms
- Black/Navy tracksuit top/sweatshirt or school jumper/fleece





Art

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Design & Technology

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Spelling & Phonics

We will be having daily spelling lessons looking at common exception words and a range of spelling patterns concentrating this term on prefixes and homophones (words that are spelled differently by sound the same) through the use of the jungle spelling programme.

In phonics the children will have daily lessons focusing on one sound a week linked to their reading book which will be sent home every Friday.

