



# PUFFIN POST

Spring 2 2014



## Topic: Plants and Animals

This half term we will be learning about plants and animals that live in our local environment and be able to name some of them. We will be

learning about what plants and animals need to stay alive and healthy and how they grow and change. We will learn that plants produce seeds which grow into new plants and we will investigate what they need to grow and record our observations.

To support your child's learning have a go at the activities using the following links:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/5\\_6/growing\\_plants.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/5_6/growing_plants.shtml)

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/6\\_7/plants\\_animals\\_env.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/6_7/plants_animals_env.shtml)



## Maths

We will begin this half term by counting forwards and backwards in 2's, 5's and 10's. We will use a number square to help us continue number patterns. We will also continue our Maths learning through Maths Makes Sense:

**Arithmetic:** vertical addition/subtraction with 2 and 3 digit numbers, addition/subtraction maths stories with half and quarter

**Geometry:** identify 2D faces on 3D shapes

**Data & Measure:** measuring volume in mls; using a combination of coins to buy and sell objects

**Reasoning:** finding half, quarter and three quarters of a shape



## Literacy: Traditional Tales

In our literacy work this half term we will be looking at a variety of traditional tales. We will be learning about setting, characters, vocabulary and the structure of the stories. We will begin by exploring the story 'Beauty and the Beast'. You can support your child with this work by sharing a variety of traditional tales at home. You will find a selection of tales on the following websites:

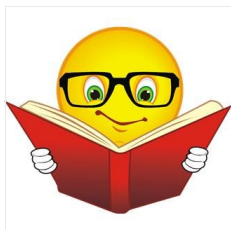
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories/theme/fairytales/page/1>

<http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/short-stories>



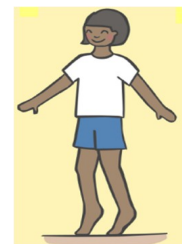
## Homework

Your child will continue to come home with a homework book which will contain a few different choices for them to complete. Pupils do not need to complete everything on the list. They can choose the activities they would like to do. Homework will be set every Friday to be returned on a Wednesday. Pupils will be given a chance throughout the week to share work they have completed at home. Please encourage and support your child to complete their homework.



## PE

This half term we will be having PE on Friday afternoons. We do encourage pupils to leave their PE bag on their peg for the half term to make it easier for them. This half term we will be continuing our gymnastics work and will be creating our own sequence to include a balance, jump and turn. We will observe each other performing and give feedback to improve our performance.



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