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Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to our Year One, Summer 1 newsletter.

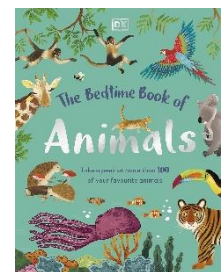
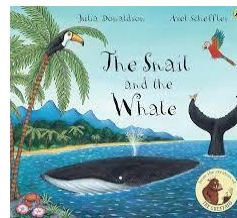
Our topic is: What a wild world!

This half term, we will be learning about different animal groups and continents. We will look specifically at the continents of Asia and Europe. We will explore 5 main animal groups: mammals, amphibians, reptiles, birds and fish.

Our big question is: “Where would you like to live?”

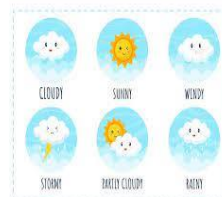
As **readers and writers**, we will be reading the following core stories:

- The Snail and the Whale
- The Bedtime Book of Animals



Questions to discuss at home:

- What continent do we live in? What other continents can you name?
- What is it like to live in the UK?
- What is the weather like?
- What is your favourite animal? Why?



Vocabulary:

We will be learning lots of new vocabulary in our geography and English lessons. Could you practise these at home?

continent, country, capital city, coast, hill, mountain, river, weather, map, globe, atlas.

Readers

Don't forget to read your Little Wandle book and return it on the correct day for your class.

Next half term, the children will take part in the Phonics Screening Check. Please continue to practise the sounds they have been learning at home too. Please find the link below that will help support your understanding and knowledge of our phonics scheme. If you require any help, please contact a member of the year 1 team.

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Writers

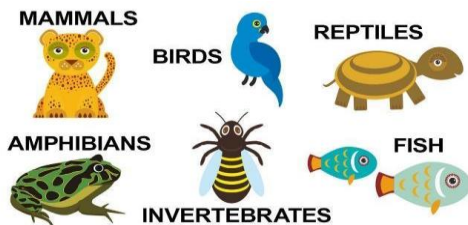
In writing, we will be consolidating our knowledge of capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will also continue to use the conjunction 'and' to join two sentences together. As well as this, we will be introducing question marks and exclamation marks. We will be writing a re-tell of the story, 'The Snail and the Whale' and writing a fact file all about different animal groups.

Mathematicians

In **maths**, we will be exploring time, multiplication and division (2s, 5s and 10s) and revisiting addition and subtraction to 20, including number bonds to 20.

Scientists

In science, we are classifying animals. What animals can you find in different parts of the world?



BBC Bitesize - Animals including humans

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6882hv>

Curriculum Learning Challenge

Can you create a habitat for an animal of your choice?

Home learning expectations

Please take some time to look at the following table to see what your child should be doing at home to extend their learning:

Activity/Task	Notes
Reading	Little Wandle books will go home every week, please make sure they are brought back to school on the day for your specific class. Your child should be decoding the book - phase 3 onwards should be blending in their head. They should also be reading with expression by looking at punctuation. Please ask them the comprehension questions that are in the back of the book.
Maths - Numbots	Numbots - A few minutes every other day https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/24316 Hit the button – number bonds to 10, doubles, halves https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

As always, if you have any questions, then please do speak to your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,
The Year One Team