



**Bold** *Christian Values* **Resilience** **Strong Relationships** **Active Learners** **partnership**

**Courageous** **Confidence** Thirst for knowledge **Growth Mindset** SUMO Foræst School **Enrichment**

**Literacy - reading and writing confidence:**

**Amazing Animals** : Each week we are focusing on different types of animals and as always using a story to help be creative and inform and inspire our writing: Week 1 - Jack and the bean stalk Week 2- Minibeasts -Hungry Caterpillar Week 3 - Farm - Little Red Hen Week 4 - Growing Frogs Week 5 - Birds - Owl Babies Week 6 - Under the Sea - Sharing a shell

We will be focussing we are encouraging children to write for different purposes through the use of story and God's wonderful world. We are encouraging children to write in full sentences using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will be planning lots of opportunities for role play through the use of our focus texts using this to develop language. We will continue our reading journey together using phonic knowledge to read with independence. During this half term, we will complete Phase 3! The children have continued to grow in **confidence** with their reading and writing skills.

**COEL:** The focus of this half term is on **motivational** skills digging deep in our bucket of **courage**. Through the use of **Growth Mindset** we will encourage the children to keep on trying as they set themselves goals.

**Awe Life Habitats**

**Amazing Animals**



**Christian Values**

**Friendship**

**Spirituality**

**Pause Connect Wonder**

**RE**

Special Places : What makes a place special and holy? What is prayer

**PSHE**

**Rights and Responsibilities**

**British Value**

**Rule of Law**

**Maths mastery-confident & resilient learners**

Our day will always begin with 'Fluency Frenzy!' We love singing number songs, counting together and having fun together. This half term, we develop our understanding of numbers to 20. We focus on composition, comparison and representation of numbers to 20. We will explore adding more and taking away and how this affects our number. We will also spend time exploring 3D shapes

Linked to our work in our 'Amazing Animals' topic, we will be sorting animals according to their size along with carrying out research data to look at simple graphing.

**Understanding the world:**

We will **explore** and learn about animals through first hand experiences. We will be finding out about amazing animals and their habitats. We will focus on what an animal/pet etc is. We will learn about the lifecycles of butterflies and frogs. Learning about what animals eat, where they live and how they grow. We will use our knowledge to learn to **respect** God's creatures however great or small!



## Phonics - confidence and active learners-

During this half term, children will continue and complete phase 3

Phase 3 graphemes - oi, ear, air, ure, er (consolidation of ALL phase 3 graphemes)

Read and write tricky words : so, were, some, there, out, little, what

## Physical Development- confidence, partnership, strong relationships:

During this half term, we focus on developing the core strengths to enable your child to develop both gross motor and fine motor skills. This will be done through our weekly PE sessions (Thursday) where we are focussing on catching and throwing skills, co-operative play, woodland sessions, learning through play outdoors along with fine motor skills activities.



## Special days/events - enrichment and active learning:

9<sup>th</sup> May Ascension Day

Please check weekly newsletter and Class Dojo posts for other relevant dates

