

Emerald Class News



Friday 18th October



English... This week we have been writing sentences using similes. We have been using our knowledge of rainforest animals to support our sentence writing. For example:

'I am as bouncy as a poison arrow dart frog.'

'I am as slow as a sleepy sloth.'

The children worked hard to plan their sentences and even got into the role of the 'jungle' animals to support their writing.

Phonics...

Sounds of the Week – ure, air, ear

Words of the Week – do, some, come, little, so, like, have

Maths... This week we have been learning about the part part whole model to support our knowledge of addition. Alongside this we have started to learn our number bonds to 10. This includes a number bond song.

Foundation Subjects (Afternoons)...

Geography... This week we have been looking at the different layers of the rainforest. These include: **Emergent, Canopy, Understory, Forest Floor.** We drew our own rainforest, labeled it and added some rainforest animals on the different layers to deepen our understanding. During this activity we also practiced our cutting skills!

Science... We have been looking at the characteristics of animals and how they differ to humans. We talked about how their characteristics suit their habitat. We also opened a new science enquiry. Emerald class have grown some amazing pumpkins in their growing beds from last year. We have used them to compare sizes, put them in order and investigate who might eat the pumpkins. Herbivore, omnivore, carnivore, animal, human or both!

Upcoming dates for your diary...

- **Friday 18th October** – School closes at 3:00pm for October Half Term
- **Monday 28th October** – School reopens for second half of Autumn Term
- **Tuesday 29th October** – Flu Jobs
- **Tuesday 19th November** – Parents Evening
- **Wednesday 20th November** – Parents Evening
- **Thursday 12th December** – 9:15 am – KS1 Nativity Performance (more information to follow)
- **Friday 13th December** – 2:00pm – KS1 Nativity Performance (more information to follow)
- **Wednesday 18th December** – School closes at 3:00pm for Christmas Holiday

NORWICH SCIENCE FESTIVAL 2019

See events on offer for families this year at: <https://norwichsciencefestival.co.uk>
There are lots of things to do during the half term break!

We would like to say well done to all the children for a fantastic start to year one!

Happy Half Term!

Home Learning

Maths Home Learning

Maths Home Learning **will be** in book bags. Please learn the number bond to ten song ready for Autumn 2.

Reading

Please read with your child every evening.