



**Dust and Deserts Spring 1 Half Term Topic**

<p>Dear Year 1 Parents,</p> <p>Here is our topic web and enquiry question for this half term. Please use this to help your child research information that could help with their learning this half term. They can bring into class anything they find which will support our learning.</p>	<p align="center"><b>Year 1</b></p>  <p align="center"><b>Enquiry Question – What if Meerkats wanted to live in Iceland?</b></p>	
<p>As <b>AUTHORS</b> we will....</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn how to use different sentences types in our writing to make it more interesting</li> <li>• Plan, write and edit our own stories about a Meerkat</li> <li>• Write postcards</li> <li>• Learn how to use full stops and question marks in our writing</li> </ul>	<p>As <b>MATHEMATICIANS</b> we will.....</p> <p><b>ADDITION AND SUBRTRACTION and PLACE VALUE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn more about place value and how much each digit in a two digit number is worth</li> <li>• Learn to add and subtract numbers within 20. This will include mental and written methods</li> </ul>	<p>As <b>READERS</b> we will....</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please continue to <b>READ AT LEAST THREE TIMES A WEEK AT HOME</b></li> <li>• Read Meerkat Mail and find out about Sunny’s adventures</li> <li>• Read non-fiction books about Meerkats and other animals</li> <li>• Ask and answer questions about books we read this half term</li> <li>• Phonic sounds: ur and ir, igh and ie, oo and ue, yoo and u, oa and o, igh and l, ai and a, ee and e</li> </ul>
<p>As <b>SCIENTISTS</b> we will....</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Find out which animal group Meerkats belong to - fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets</li> <li>• Sort animals into categories, fish, amphibians, birds, mammals and reptiles</li> <li>• Learn about animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores</li> </ul>	<p>In <b>COMPUTING</b> we will.....</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn how to keep our personal information private</li> <li>• Begin to understand what basic algorithms are</li> </ul> <p>AS <b>GEOGRAPHERS</b> we will ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do people move around the world? Explore where our families and friends live in the country/world?</li> <li>• Investigate the weather through observation and record seasonal changes in school grounds and the local area.</li> </ul> <p>As <b>ARTISTS</b> we will...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin to add some texture to paint</li> <li>• Explore pattern, line, shape and texture in our creative processes</li> </ul>	

Please come and ask if you would like to know any more information about your child’s learning this half term. We will have weekly Music lessons with Mr Lloyd on a Friday. PE is on Tuesday and Friday, please come dressed in your PE kits.