



SKYLARKS NEWSLETTER



SPRING 1

**Our theme is:
Storybook Bears**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Celebration Assembly: Friday 30th Jan
Skylarks Showcase: Tuesday 10th Feb 2:30pm

PE

Mondays - PE with Mr. Brotherhood (Y1)
Swimming (Y2)
Thursdays - PE (gymnastics)

MATHS

We will explore 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.
We will revise related facts for adding and subtracting, as well as learning to add up to and over a ten. We will also subtract from a ten and across a ten. We will add and subtract 2 two-digit numbers and solve missing number problems.

Here are some of our questions:

- How strong are bears?
- How do bears survive?
- How do you make teddy bears?
- How do you grow plants?
- What noise does a bear make?
- How many species of bear are in Canada?
- How do you sew?
- What are Canada's farms like?

English

Our Writing Roots texts will be:



Our Literacy Leaves book will be:



Spelling and Phonics

Y1: Phonics

Wh, ph,
Long 'a' spelt ay, a-e
long 'e' spelt ee, e-e, ie- i-e
Ow, o-e,
ew- ue, u-e,
aw, au,
ie
er, ou, oy,
plurals s and es and the prefix 'un' at start of words

Y2: Spelling rules - The 'ee' and 'igh' sound spelt -y at the end of words

Adding -es to nouns and verbs ending in -y
Adding -ed, -ing, -er and -est to a root word ending in -y with a consonant before it
Adding the endings ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words ending in -e with a consonant before it



Science

We will be learning about all things to do with plants, including: parts of a plant, what deciduous and evergreen trees are, what plants need to survive and what parts of a plant we can eat.

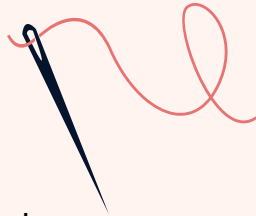
Geography



We will explore the country of Canada.

We will learn the continent it is on, which animals live there, why it is so cold in some places, what the capital city is and how it is different to where we live. We will also explore Banff National Park.

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We will design, make and evaluate our own bear hand puppets. We will learn some simple stitching techniques and how to attach a button.

Art

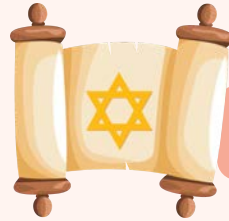


In Art we will look at sketching techniques and ways to use our sketching pencils to make different line patterns. We will explore shading and using different gradients of pencils. We will use these skills to draw realistic portraits of our teddy bears.

How can we classify trees and plants?

What trees grow in Canada?

Do cress seeds grow better inside or out?



RE



Our inquiry questions will be:

Y1: What do Jews remember on Shabbat?

Y2: How do Christians belong to their faith family?

PSHE

We will explore ways to gain self-control and will focus on understanding the feelings of anger, calm and relaxation.



SAW

Our SAW day (Science, Art, Writing) this half term will be on the subject of bears to answer lots of the childrens' questions about this animal!



We are looking forward to a happy and fun half term and will always endeavour to help your child to shine their light. If you have any questions or concerns please get in touch at: skylarks@gooderstone.dneat.org