



South Gosforth First School  
*'Roots to grow and wings to fly'*

### Art

#### Amazing Animals

We will be looking closely at the techniques of artists such as Ed Ruscha and Nancy McCroskey (line drawings) as well as Paul Klee (abstract shapes) in order to create a range of Amazing Animals artwork.

### P.E

#### Send and Return

We will be focussing on the skills needed for a game of tennis and will learn how to serve accurately, change direction on court, get into the ready position and return the ball. We will apply our new skills into some team games.

### Maths

Place Value: We will start the term with Place Value – focussing on reading numbers to 100. We will compare, sort, order and partition 2-digit numbers into different ways such as by tens and ones.

Addition and Subtraction: We will begin this unit by exploring addition and subtraction number facts.

### English

Reading: Our reading text will be 'Meerkat Mail'. We will also explore poetry and non-fiction texts.

Writing: This half term, we will focus on consolidating basic sentence structure including grammar and punctuation.

We will create descriptive pieces of writing based upon 'The Whales' Song' story. We will then create a fact file for

### Geography

#### What is it like to live beside the seaside?

We will look more closely into what exactly a seaside is and will study the human and physical features specific to this landscape. We will carry out a fieldwork study with a trip to a local seaside.

### Year 2



Seaside



Habitats

### Science

#### Why do different animals live in different places?

This term we will investigate microhabitats within the school grounds and will carry out a range of experiments to explore why particular animals live in those habitats, including looking at seaside habitats during our class trip.

### Computing

#### E Safety, Uses of technology

We will be learning about e-safety and how to stay safe online. We will also look at where and how we use technology in our everyday lives.

### PSHE & 'Together Time'

#### What makes a good friend?

We will investigate what makes a good friend and what to do if we fall out with our friends. We will also be exploring our theme of 'No Outsiders' through the story 'Amazing' by Steve Antony.

### Music

#### "Hands, Feet, Heart."

This half term we will be appraising a range of music, including traditional songs from South Africa. We will learn and perform a song with actions and movements.

### Religious Education

#### What did Jesus teach the people?

This half term we will be learning about parables. We will look at what these teach us about how Christians believe we should treat others and explore what it means to be kind.



Character  
Culture  
Creativity  
Challenge

Enrichment, Hooks & Pupil Engagement: Seaside Trip (Geography fieldwork) Greenpeace visit, Pond dipping, Animals Art Exhibition (for Y1 children).

'The Big Picture' Task: In EYFS, the children were introduced to seashores and in Year 1 they learned about cities and towns in their local area (Newcastle and Gosforth). In Year 2 we will look more closely at what constitutes seashores and explore the human and physical features they contain.

'Stunning Start' & 'Fantastic Finish' ('Mantle of the Expert'): Mantle of the Expert (Geography) Beside the Seaside. Children will be in role as Town Developers who have been tasked with choosing a location for a new seaside development and will need to bring together all their fieldwork experience and geographical knowledge. Visit from a Greenpeace volunteer to discuss the importance of our seashores and taking care of them.