

# Aspen



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## Summer Term 2

### Let's go on Safari

## Literacy

We will be continuing to practise our phonics and reading, building our knowledge of letter sounds, as well as recognising and blending sounds to make simple and complex words. We'll continue practising our Blank Level questions to build understanding of texts. Our stories this half term will be the 'Three Billy Goats Gruff' and 'Three Little Pigs' in Orange and 'Zog' in Purple.

## Numeracy

In Purple class, we will be working on recognising different shapes using both the shapes and everyday items, as well as continuing our measurement of objects. We'll also keep reinforcing all of the work we've done on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in the Autumn term. In Orange class, we'll be continuing to count to larger numbers, as well as working on our colour and shape recognition, and we'll be completing some addition using concrete objects.

## My World

In Purple, we'll be continuing to look at Earth, Moon and Sun and how they're in space, as well as introducing other. In both Orange and Purple, we'll be looking at different animals, where they live and where that is on the map.

## Learning for Life

In cooking, we'll be making a variety of different foods. We will be working on how to cook hygienically and follow instructions. Purple will also undertake some gardening activities, learning how to plant and grow some foods.

## Myself and Others

In purple, we will be looking at staying safe online, as well as how to use the computer to expand our English and find out facts about safari animals we like. In Orange, we will be looking at what makes a good friend, different emotions we might feel.

## Communication and Language

Between our lessons, we will take part in various different activities that enable us to communicate how we feel, as well as sharing and taking turns with others. This will include learning through play.

## Music

We will explore different types of music we might like, as well as how music makes us feel, linking it to our emotions. We'll also look at the different sounds animals make and how we can make these into music, fitting into our 'Let's go on safari' theme.

## Creative Me Art

We will be learning to use paper mâché to make models, as well as salt dough and clay to make animals we like, dry them and paint them.

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### Physical Education

In Orange, we will be focusing on our balance, coordination and agility, using our athletics skills and dance to help us. We will also be looking at working together and problem solving wherever possible.  
In Purple, will continue to work on a variety of team-based games to help develop our turn taking, problem-solving and communication skills. We'll be trying hockey and rounders to help build these skills.

### How you can help at home

Please keep taking your children out as much as possible and giving them new experiences. Reading with them or to them will support word recognition and sounding, as well as encouraging them to use their fine motor skills - drawing, painting, mixing, playing with playdough - whenever it is safe and appropriate. If you need any work or reading books, please let Katie or Josh know. Any questions, please also feel free to ask!