



To evolve or not to evolve, that is the question.



Literacy & Languages

At school we will :

- develop understanding of basic sentence features
- explore how to use punctuation for parenthesis (adding extra information using brackets, dashes, commas and colons)
- develop our vocabulary skills, improving our use of higher level vocabulary
- investigate how to use paragraphs effectively, grouping related information
- explore fiction and non-fiction texts, as well as using technology to record and present learning in a range of formats
- focus on developing understanding of spelling rules and patterns

At home you can help by:

- ensuring that your child reads for 10-20 minutes everyday
- supporting them with practising their weekly spellings daily

Humanities

At school we will :

- describe and understand features of different environments.
- investigate how different land use leads to changes in environments and ultimately leads to adaptation or extinction.
- explore how different things from our daily lives have evolved

At home you can help by:

- encouraging your child to research the country and habitat of their chosen animal, creating a simple presentation about the climate and landscape
- discussing how music, clothing, technology or food has evolved during your lifetime
- create a presentation, either on their iPad or written to show the evolution of their chosen research area (e.g. phones, computers, music, clothing, cars, etc)

Stimulus

Explore the local area to identify creatures and plants within the area.

Maths

At school we will :

- develop our understanding of place value up to 10 million
- explore how to round numbers to powers of ten (e.g. nearest hundred thousand)
- investigate how to use negative numbers in real contexts
- practise arithmetic skills daily

At home you can help by:

- encouraging your child to practise their times tables every day
- use Mathematics to reinforce number skills

Healthy Living

At school we will :

- develop a range of dance skills as well as learning to follow and compose more complex dance sequences
- improve the ability to move with control and precision
- develop our understanding of how to keep ourselves safe online

At home you can help by:

- discussing the importance of using online programmes safely

Showcase

Visit Williams class to explore what your children have been learning about evolution and inheritance.

Science & Technology

At school we will :

- classify animals and plants according to their characteristics.
- recognise and describe how living things have changed over time.
- recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, identifying similarities and differences.
- identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment.

At home you can help by:

- encourage your child to take photos and create sketches of plants and animals that they see, discussing similarities and differences
- encourage your child to create a presentation about a specific type of animal, identifying how it has adapted to live and survive in that habitat

The Arts

At school we will :

- improve painting techniques
- develop sketching skills, related to the sketches of Charles Darwin.
- investigate the music of 'The Carnival of the Animals' and explore how instruments create different sounds to represent different creatures.

At home you can help by:

- research different paintings and sketches of animals and plants
- sketch or make a model or collage of their chosen animal or plant

Wayfield WOW Moment

Kingswood residential trip (24th -28th September 2018)