



Oakhurst Community First & Nursery
School
*'From Little Acorns Mighty Oaks
Grow'*

Maple Class –Spring 2 – Parent overview

Predator!



It's time to take a walk on the wild side! This half term, we'll invite some amazing animals into our classroom to discover how they move, what they feel like and what they eat. We'll also program a toy to move across a grid – will it be caught by a predator? We'll learn about how some plants are predators! We'll investigate food chains and learn about how animals find their food. Through research, we'll learn about the majestic peregrine falcon and discover where crocodiles live. At the end of the ILP, we'll show you a range of animal fact presentations and make animal colleges.

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Children will have the opportunity to have a close encounter with some live crazy creatures, when experts come in to introduce us to spiders, giant cockroaches, snakes and an owl	Parents will be invited to work alongside the children to create an animal college. They will also read their speeches linked to their apex predator!
Date: Thursday 27th February	Date: Friday 3rd April 9.00am – 9.45am

Key topic vocabulary

Below is a list of key vocabulary for your child to know and understand for the topic organised into 3 tiers, 'must know', 'should know' and 'could know'.

<u>Key Vocabulary</u>		
<u>Tier 1 – Must</u>	<u>Tier 2 – Should</u>	<u>Tier 3 - Could</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insect • Bird • Food chain • Fossil • Mammal • Prey • Predator • Skeleton • Reptile • apex 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Omnivore • Carnivore • Herbivore • Organism • Species • Venomous • Camouflage • Consumer • Decomposer • Producer • Parasite • pellet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scavenger • Terrestrial • Vasculature • Xylem • Amphibian • Arachnid • Endoskeleton • Exoskeleton

How can you help at home?

- Support children completing the take away task **(Please ensure it is the children's work)**
- Continue reading with your child as often as you can and filling in their reading record – remember you can read e-books by using your child's Oxford Reading Buddy log in.

Take away task – Choose one or both to complete at home!

Due week beginning 2nd March 2020

Predator or Prey?

Look at some animals at a wildlife park, or a zoo, or in a garden. Which animals are predators and which are prey? Can you create a fact file about one predator you've researched; and one about prey?

Make a bird feeder

It's that time of year where birds are getting ready for spring. They love homemade bird feeders. Please find a recipe; either online or at your local library, and make the feeder. Please bring your creations in and we'll hang them out at school for the birds to enjoy.