



East Bridgford, St. Peter's C of E Academy - Birch Class Newsletter



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Hello everyone! I hope you are all well and managing to settle back into the new and busy term. The class have had a great start to Year 3 and are settling into routines well.

Here is what we have been getting up to these past few weeks:

Curriculum:

- *Our focus on English these past few weeks has been a 'Rags to Riches' story Egyptian Cinderella. We are coming to the end of our Unit and will be writing our own 'Rags to Riches' story with a change of characters and settings next week.*
- *In Maths, we have been learning about place value, our new topic starting next week is Addition and Subtraction.*
- *In Science, our new topic of 'Food and the digestive system' has seen us exploring ecosystems around the world, food chains and habitats. We've been discussing new scientific vocabulary such as 'apex predator', 'consumer' and 'producer'.*
- *In our Invasion topic, we've been learning about the impact of the Romans and Anglo-Saxons have upon Britain.*
- *We have been getting digital in Computing and using coding to create our own animations. These have been really great! They can access this at home using Purple Mash.*
- *We celebrated 'Dot Day' in Art this week and created our own portraits using Dots in the pop-art style of Liechtenstein.*
- *We have listened and started to learn our new song, ready for the Harvest Festival in a few weeks.*

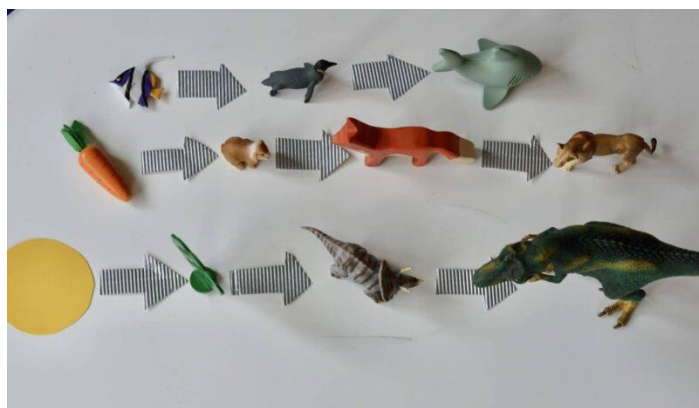
Homework: Due in 11th October

This week in science, we have been exploring the topic of food chains. The children have learned about the key roles in a food chain, including the producer, the primary consumer, the secondary consumer, and the tertiary consumer. We've thought about which animals are prey, predators and apex predators (at the top of the food chain).

For a homework project, I would like the children to get creative and design their own food chain. They can use drawings, cut-outs, or even make a 3D model if they wish! The aim is for them to show their understanding of the different parts of a food chain and how energy flows from one organism to another.

Please encourage your child to think about examples from nature—whether it's a land-based or ocean-based food chain—and to have fun with the project!

Here are some examples of ideas:



Spellings have been given out to learn this week. It is important that they bring their diary in everyday so I can check their reading logs - it has been great to see so much reading happening and being recorded at home. If your child hasn't bought in their reading diary, please remind them to so I can give them their spellings. Thank you.

Key dates for your diaries are available on the Headteacher Newsletter and the weekly newsletter at a glance: Weekly Newsletters 2023/2024 | St. Peter's C of E Academy (eastbridgfordstpeters.co.uk)

<https://www.eastbridgfordstpeters.co.uk/stream/newsletters/full/1/-//>

Thank you, have a lovely weekend 😊

Miss Waghorn.