



## Perfect Pets

### Europe (Year 2 )

### Autumn Term 1

#### **Rationale for learning**

Animals can provide great opportunities for entertainment and learning. Most children are naturally drawn to animals; therefore learning about animals can be a fun activity where learning comes as a side-affect. Children become more actively engaged and learning will become easier when they are interested and enjoying themselves. It is for these reasons that we have chosen animals as the first topic to begin your child's journey into Year 2.

#### **Suggested activities for parents to help support learning**

- Share non-fiction books with your child, encouraging them to skim pages for facts.
- Create and share fun facts about pets.
- Daily reading.
- Handwriting practice

**Mental Maths Focus:** Number and Place Value, Number Bonds

#### **Reminders**

##### **Christmas Production next half term**

Year 2 children will be leading the Christmas production.

Auditions will be held just before half term for speaking and non-speaking parts. Children with speaking parts will need to start learning their lines during the October half term.

##### **Opportunities to visit/help at school**

We always enjoy having regular helpers in school and really appreciate help with hearing children read.

##### **Homework**

The home learning in Year 2 consists of:

One piece of Maths or English homework each week.

Weekly spellings/phonics sounds.

Daily Reading

##### **PE**

PE is scheduled for Tuesday and Friday (Winter kit advised).

## Perfect Pets Study Unit Overview

### Mathematics

#### Focus on Number

Counting  
Place Value  
Number sequences  
Bigger than and smaller than  
Addition  
Subtraction  
Geometry (2D shape)

### Art

Animal art  
Collage making

### History and Geography

#### To investigate places

Ask and answer geographical questions such as: What is this place like? What animals will I see in this place? What do people and animals do in this place?

Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans.

### English

Key Text: The Great Pet Sale—  
Mick Inkpen

Animal fact files

Phonics  
Handwriting  
SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar)  
Guided Reading

### Computing

Computer components  
Basic computing  
E- safety



### PSHCE

To understand the importance of rules and recognise the difference between right and wrong and what is fair and unfair.

To understand that all people have needs and wants and identify the difference between the two.

Know about the simple physical changes to their bodies they have experiences since birth and the similarities and differences between people

### RE

Christianity and Saints  
Harvest Festival

### Science

#### Animals including humans

- notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults
- find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans.
- describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene

### PE

Games—Hockey  
Dance— Link two or more actions to perform a sequence.  
• Choose movements to communicate a mood, feeling or idea.

### Music

Recorders  
Peter and the Wolf

### Technology

Design, create and glaze a clay animal