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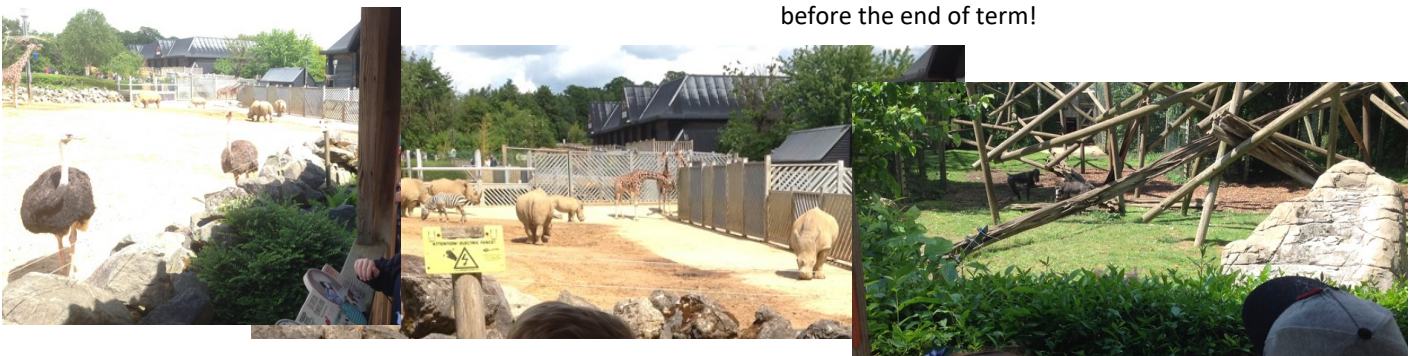


Year 1



Earlier in the term, we loved visiting our local library. We were lucky enough to be invited by the team there and we enjoyed listening to a story read by one of the librarians. We then went to Christchurch Park for a picnic and a play in the park. It was a great way to see our local area and enjoy the lovely weather.

We completed our Key Stage 1 Phonics screening check in June. Mr Cook is so proud that every single child passed, giving us a 100% score for the first time in recent memory. We will be celebrating with a pizza party before the end of term!



We thoroughly enjoyed our trip to Colchester Zoo. It was a brilliant (and hot!) day where we loved seeing lots of animals. We also had a workshop where we learned about the different habitats that creatures might live in. We went on the land train and saw some lemurs up-close-and-personal. It was a great day.

In Maths, we have revisited all of the topics and learning from the year again, ensuring that we are experts in our number, shape and place value.

In English, we have started our Spelling scheme of work, ready for Year 2. This replaces Phonics in our timetable. This will ensure that children are ready for the Spelling scheme in Year 2.

In DT, we have been working on structures. We have experimented with different cardboard boxes, thinking about how we can make them stand independently.

In History, we have continued our learning on significant individuals. We have been learning about some of the famous astronauts from history and why they are significant. We have learned about: Neil Armstrong, Mae Jemison, Bernard Harris Jr and Tim Peake.

For Geography we have been learning about maps and fieldwork. We looked at some imaginary maps and made some of our own, from one of our favourite stories (We're going on a bear hunt!). We also made a map of the school, to help direct someone from our classroom to Mrs Berry's office.

We loved our Art Week and made some terrific creations, including Picasso-inspired faces.

It has been a great year for this class. It's been a joy and a pleasure to teach them. We should all be very proud.