



# Ernesettle Community School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This term our topic will be 'Polar Explorers' and each week the children will learn about a different theme:

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
The Frozen Planet: where is it? What does it look like?	Questions: What do we already know about penguins?	Who lives there? Igloos and inuit people.	The big freeze: exploring ice and how it changes.	Polar bears. What do they eat? How do they stay warm?	Celebrating Christmas around the world. Christmas Stories.	Tis the season to be jolly. Christmas learning.

Throughout this topic, the children will take part in a wide variety of experiences that focus on the EYFS seven areas of learning and development:

*Communication and Language; Physical Development; Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Literacy; Mathematics; Understanding the World; and Expressive Arts and Design.*

As the days get darker and the nights get colder, over the next seven weeks we step into a wintery world of polar bears, penguins and the Antarctic! We will learn all about the big freeze and the animals that inhabit some of the coldest climates in the world. In addition to this lovely learning, we hope to visit 'Living Coasts' to get up close and personal with some of our aquatic friends that we might see in the Antarctic. Towards the end of the term, we enter the festive season and enjoy learning about celebrations around the world in preparation for Christmas. We have a very exciting term ahead and we cannot wait to become Polar Explorers!



As part of our topic, we will also be reading a selection of stories based around Polar Explorers including; Penguin, Tidy and Babushka. In Phonics, the children will be learning new sounds and beginning to decode simple words and sentences.

As part of our PE lessons, we will also be learning different skills and movements and will focus on dance. We will have PE on Friday mornings. Therefore, can you please ensure your child has their PE kit with them every Friday.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely  
 Miss Umney and Miss Penney

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