



Year 3 Predators

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 the different parts of a plant and how some plants are predators! From our investigations about the human skeleton, we'll find out how muscle make the bones move. We'll investigate food chains and learn about how animals find their food. Using the internet, we'll research the majestic peregrine falcon and discover where crocodiles live. After our research, we'll create an exciting aquatic animation.

At the end of the ILP, we'll show you a range of animal fact presentations, make animal collages and learn about the interesting (and disgusting) world of parasites!

ILP focus	Science
English	Recounts, leaflets, poetry, stories, speeches. The Reluctant Dragon.
Science	Food chains, fossils, plants, skeletal systems
Art & design	3-D models, observational drawings.
Computing	Algorithms, flow diagrams, research, logical reasoning, graphics software, presentations
D&T	Selecting and using materials
Geography	Fieldwork, using maps, locating the habitats of predators on maps.
Mathematics	Data handling
PE	Striking and fielding
PSHE	Resolving differences
Music	Listening station
Festival	Diwali/Festival of Remembrance /Christmas
French	Celebrations
Rights Respecting	Global Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of ecosystems.

Help your child prepare for their project

Predators can be found in deserts, jungles, oceans or even in your own back garden! Why not go for a walk and see which animals and plants you can identify? You could also visit a zoo, thinking about which animals are predators and which animals might be their prey.

We are celebrating World Children's Day on the 20th November

World Children's Day is UNICEF's global day of action for children, by children.

It's a fun day with a serious message, as this year it marks the 30th anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. This Convention sets out the rights of children, such as the right to healthcare, education, clean water, protection from violence – and the right to have their say in decisions that affect them.

We are marking the day with special lessons and by asking all children to wear blue to show their support for children's rights around the world.

As we prepare for World Children's Day, we are also asking families to donate to the Sparkhill Food Bank, who do vital work supporting those families hit by the recession and poverty. Food boxes will be presented by our Rights Respecting School Council on World Children's Day.

Donations of dried and timed foods are welcome.