

Paws, Claws and Whiskers

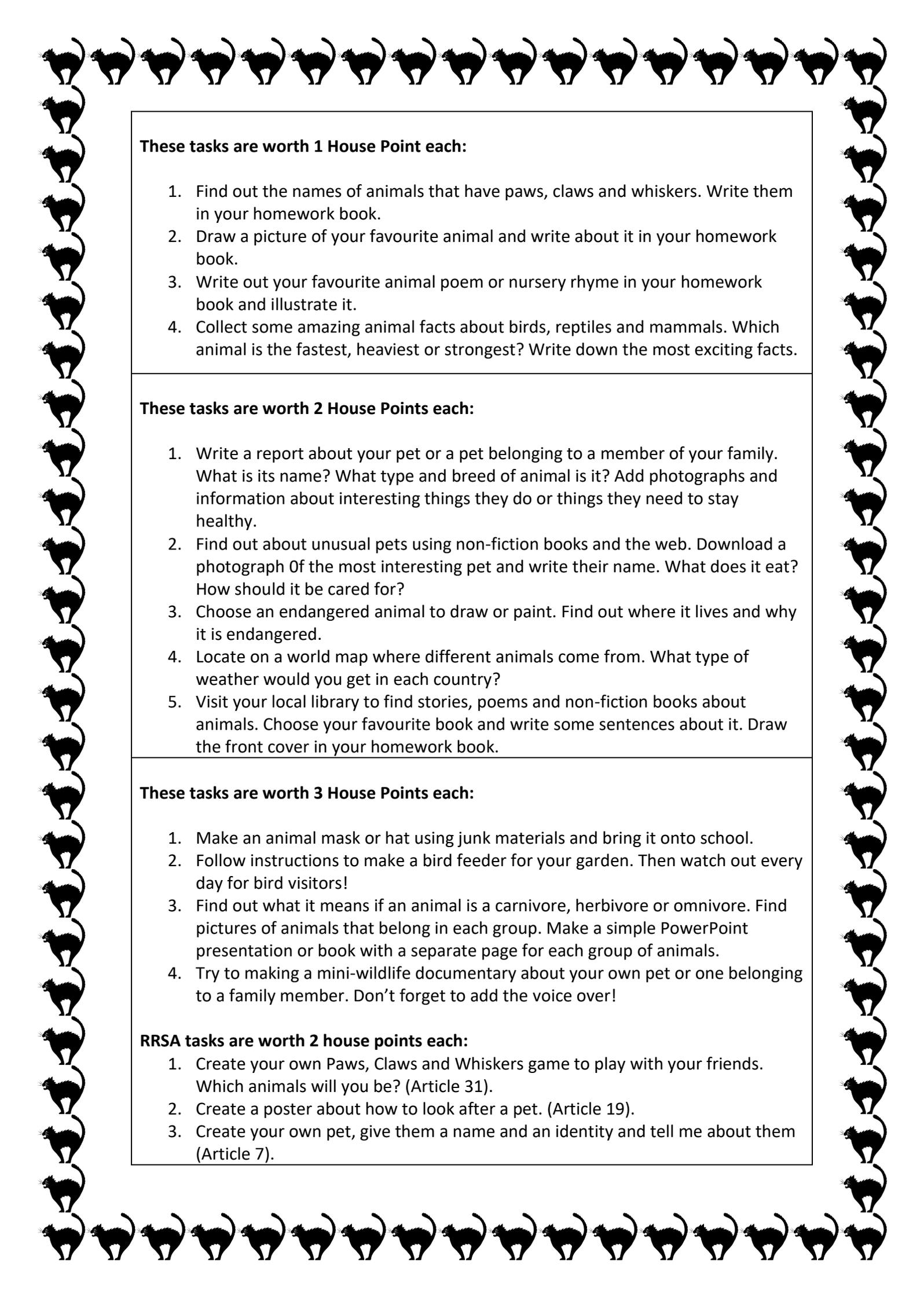


Year 1

Our topic for next half term is 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers'

The children will be asked to choose a task from the menu provided each week and to bring this into school by Wednesday of the following week. The children should record evidence of their homework in their homework book.

The children will continue to be given maths homework in their book each week.



These tasks are worth 1 House Point each:

1. Find out the names of animals that have paws, claws and whiskers. Write them in your homework book.
2. Draw a picture of your favourite animal and write about it in your homework book.
3. Write out your favourite animal poem or nursery rhyme in your homework book and illustrate it.
4. Collect some amazing animal facts about birds, reptiles and mammals. Which animal is the fastest, heaviest or strongest? Write down the most exciting facts.

These tasks are worth 2 House Points each:

1. Write a report about your pet or a pet belonging to a member of your family. What is its name? What type and breed of animal is it? Add photographs and information about interesting things they do or things they need to stay healthy.
2. Find out about unusual pets using non-fiction books and the web. Download a photograph of the most interesting pet and write their name. What does it eat? How should it be cared for?
3. Choose an endangered animal to draw or paint. Find out where it lives and why it is endangered.
4. Locate on a world map where different animals come from. What type of weather would you get in each country?
5. Visit your local library to find stories, poems and non-fiction books about animals. Choose your favourite book and write some sentences about it. Draw the front cover in your homework book.

These tasks are worth 3 House Points each:

1. Make an animal mask or hat using junk materials and bring it onto school.
2. Follow instructions to make a bird feeder for your garden. Then watch out every day for bird visitors!
3. Find out what it means if an animal is a carnivore, herbivore or omnivore. Find pictures of animals that belong in each group. Make a simple PowerPoint presentation or book with a separate page for each group of animals.
4. Try to making a mini-wildlife documentary about your own pet or one belonging to a family member. Don't forget to add the voice over!

RRSA tasks are worth 2 house points each:

1. Create your own Paws, Claws and Whiskers game to play with your friends. Which animals will you be? (Article 31).
2. Create a poster about how to look after a pet. (Article 19).
3. Create your own pet, give them a name and an identity and tell me about them (Article 7).