

Literacy

Phonics: Year 1 will revise all phase 2, 3 and 4 sounds taught so far, segmenting and blending words.

Reading - our focus stories will be 'Commotion in the Ocean', 'Monty the Manatee', 'Duffy's Lucky Escape' and 'Billy's Bucket'. We will also read a range of stories, poems and information texts related to our topic.

Spoken language: We will recite poems and tell stories orally. We are going to ask questions about sea animals and use descriptive words to talk about them. We will role-play in our sea centre.

Writing: We will create story maps and learn to write labels, captions, lists and sentences. We will practise and further develop pencil control skills, letter formations and sizing.

Science

We will identify and name a variety of common sea animals and sort them into groups, making simple comparisons. We will talk about key information such as diet, how they move and common features.

We will ask questions, observe closely and investigate sea animals.

We will observe the changes in weather and seasons.

We will also explore a range of materials when designing an underwater sea aquarium.

Art and Design / Technology

We will explore pattern, colour and texture-focusing on the work of Vincent Van Gogh 'By the Sea'. We will be exploring lines and marks and how to use colour mixing, tone and pattern in our work.

We will evaluate our work and that of others.

We will be using a graphic package to draw.

We will design, make and evaluate a shoe box aquarium.

We will also focus on Junk Modelling as part of our 'Recycling Project'

Mathematics

Number and place value: We will practise counting to 100 and reading and writing numbers to 100. We will use objects to count forwards and backwards from any given number. We will also be looking at one more and one less to 100.

Addition/Subtraction: We will add and subtract one and two digit numbers to 20, using a variety of mathematical apparatus eg, Numicon, number lines. We will learn to write number sentences using the correct symbols. We will also begin to solve number problems and learn our number bonds to 10.

Multiplication and division: We will be introducing these concepts as repeated addition and sharing.

Measure and shape: We will learn about 2D and 3D shapes and we will also be exploring length and height.

Music

We will learn about pitch and rhythm, through song, listening to a variety of music and using musical instruments.

Focus this term is Old School Hip Hop and Christmas

Geography

We will learn about seasonal changes and weather patterns.

We will discuss pollution in the ocean using the story 'Duffy's Lucky Escape'.

We will be identifying and labelling sea side features and looking at aerial photographs.

We will name and locate the four countries and capital cities of the UK and the surrounding oceans.

P.E

We will develop fundamental skills and improve our balance through 'Coalway blast'. We will be practising simple ball skills (rolling and kicking).

We be exploring basic body actions and follow the leader activities in dance, using the topic as a stimulus.

R.E and P.S.H.E

We will be discussing how we should care for others and the world around us. We will be sharing Bible stories and talking about how these teach us to be kind and caring. We will celebrate key religious festivals eg Harvest and Christmas.

Commotion in the Ocean

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Computing

We will learn about using the internet safely and keeping safe online. We will continue to practise keyboard and mouse control skills, using the multimedia programme 2Draw. The children will be using iPads, classroom computers and the Interactive Whiteboard. Don't forget to use your Purple Mash at home!

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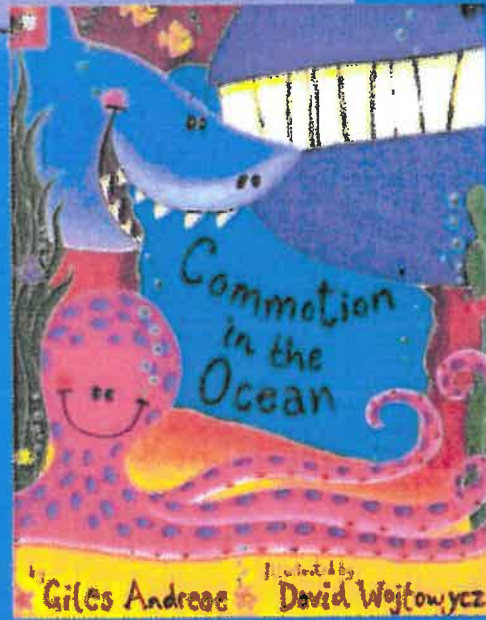
Reading together everyday and practising 'tricky words' and letter sounds in your child's book bag.

Counting forwards and backwards to 100 and writing their numbers correctly.

Talking about sea animals and how we protect and care for them and the Ocean.

Talking about the seasons and the weather!

'Commotion in the Ocean'



Key Vocabulary for Topic

Beach, cliff, coast, sea, ocean, pollution, recycling, sea creatures such as; shark, whale, turtle, dolphin, seahorse etc., aquarium, under water, coral, reef, harbour, environment.

Suggested Books to Read for our Topic 'Commotion in the Ocean'

Tiddler-By Julia Donaldson

The Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson

Commotion in the Ocean-Giles Andreae

Monty the Manatee-Natalie Pritchard

Duffy's Lucky Escape by Ellie Jackson and Liz Old Meadow

Billy's Bucket by Kes Gray and Garry Parsons

Bright Stanley Double Trouble by Matt Buckingham

Seal Surfer by Michael Foreman (Seasonal Changes)

Non-Fiction texts related to the Ocean and Sea Creatures.