

Our Learning Journey:

This term our topic is 'Commotion in the Ocean'. In this topic, we will learn about the types of sea life that live in the oceans, both real and mythical. We hope to develop an understanding of our sea environment and the importance of looking after the creatures that live in it. We are also looking forward to carrying out different experiments involving water too and learning about how to stay safe around water. We will explore different roles in our community linked to the sea and water safety as well.



Phonics and Literacy

This term we will be starting Phase 3. We have been using our phonics to write CVC, CVCC and some longer words and this term we will be starting to write some simple sentences too. We will learn that a sentence needs a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop and we will try to start using these in our sentences. Perhaps you can practise these at home in your phonics jotter?

Please see our class webpage on the school website for more curriculum information.

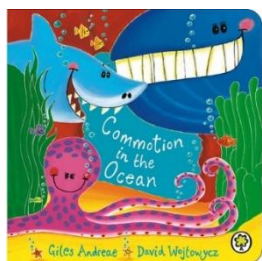
Reading and Phonics Home Learning:

We will read their book with them the week before and then send it home on the Monday. Please continue to read with your child every day at home to help build up their fluency with their reading.

We will continue to send out phonics jobs each day we learn a new sound. This term we are really focussing on forming our letters from the correct starting point and arriving at the appropriate end point. Do not worry if the phonics jobs are not completed every day. Just complete them in your own time across the week.

Maths

To help your child with their maths at home, dice games can be fun. Can they spot the number on the dice quickly without needing to count? Can they show you the number on their fingers? Can they move their counter along, counting the correct number of spaces?



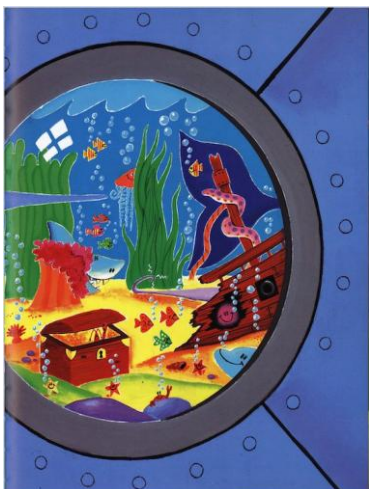
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PE will be on Thursday morning.

Commotion in the Ocean Project:

Each term we like to set a project linked to our topic. This term, we would like you to create a fact file about your favourite sea creature. In the last week of term, please bring these in so that we can share them with the rest of the class and display them in the corridor for the rest of the school to see.



Home Learning Fun

You might like to continue your learning at home by completing some of these sea related activities. If you do, please bring them in or take a photo to show us.

<p>Have a look around your home and find 2 things that you think will float and 2 things that you think will sink. Ask a grown-up to help you test if you are right.</p>	<p>There are lots of fish under the sea. Can you think of other words that have the 'sh' sound in them? Have a go at writing these words.</p>	<p>Work with a friend to design, draw and label a boat or a submarine. Remember if it is a boat it will need to be able to float. If it is a submarine it will need to be able to sink to the depths of the ocean.</p>	<p>Make a poster of ways that you can look after the sea or a sea creature.</p> <p>You could also make a poster about how to be safe around water.</p>	<p>With an adult, explore a place that has water such as a pond, lake, river, sea life centre or the seaside. Take lots of photos and write about your adventure to show the class.</p>
<p>Use different art materials to create a sea collage. Will you make it a 3D collage? What materials will you use?</p>	<p>Create your own pond using a bucket or basin of water. Can you create creatures or plants to put in your pond?</p>	<p>Create a questionnaire with tally marks to record the favourite sea creatures of your family and friends.</p>	<p>Create some sand art. Use food colouring to colour sand. Can you make a picture with the coloured sand?</p>	<p>Create an under-the-sea fact book. You could ask an adult to help you find out facts about your favourite sea creatures online to add in to your book.</p>
<p>Find out about some of the jobs that people do involving water.</p>	<p>Make a fish recipe. Take pictures of you making it.</p>	<p>Look at the world's oceans and seas on an atlas. Can you learn some of them?</p>	<p>Act out a scene from your favourite sea themed movie.</p>	<p>Learn and perform a song with a sea theme.</p>