

Speaking and Listening / Grammar / Reading and Writing

In speaking and listening, we will be using drama techniques to develop our understanding of a story.

In reading, we will be broadening our knowledge of subject specific vocabulary and developing comprehension skills through questioning. We will be studying a range of fiction and non-fiction texts that support our work on life under the sea.

In writing we will be using Talk for Writing strategies to study and change a variety of stories before writing our own versions. We will practise handwriting on a daily basis as well as having weekly spellings that consolidate work completed in phonics sessions.

Geography

In geography we will be studying the seven continents and the five oceans. We will be learning to name and locate them as well as compare the characteristics of each.

We will also be looking at the four countries of the United Kingdom and learning to locate them. This gives us the opportunity to use maps.

Mathematical Development

We will be focussing on consolidating our understanding of place value that we have developed in Foundation Stage. We will gain confidence in writing our numbers correctly and counting objects accurately. We will look at ordering numbers from 0 to 50. We will then apply this to adding and subtracting numbers within 50.

Later on in the topic, we will be learning how to measure length, height, volume and weight.

Theme - Under the Sea**Opportunities for outside learning**

The children will have the opportunity to visit The Deep.

Children also have access to the outdoor area during theme in the afternoons.

Home learning

It is expected that children will read at home at least 3 times a week and that you as parents sign their reading log. This will be checked in school weekly. In addition to support your child's learning, there will be set homework tasks (seen in the Home School Learning book) and weekly spellings (sent home on a spelling sheet) so that together we can give your child the best chance as they move through the year.

Art / Design Technology / Music / Computing

In art, we will be focussing on mastering the techniques for collage. The children will have the opportunity to explore textures and materials to create a collage of 'The Rainbow Fish'.

In music, we will be using our voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes. We will be experimenting with, creating and selecting sounds to create pieces of music.

In computing we will be learning how to turn on a computer and load a word document.

Physical Development and Healthy Lifestyles

In outdoor games we will develop games skills. We will be studying control and co-ordination with a range of equipment.

In our PSHE sessions we will look at learning behaviours and how to deal with problems. We will be discussing the qualities of a good friend.

Science

We will be learning to identify and name a variety of common animals that can be found in the sea. We will also be comparing these to other common animals.

We will have the opportunity to observe a range of fish, reptiles and mammals in their habitat.