

Under and over the sea. . .

Foundation 2
Summer Term

Topic Overview

Throughout the Summer term, staff will help children with their learning experiences by carefully observing their interests and planning activities that help develop their understanding. The Summer term topic is all about what is under the sea, the adventures of pirates and the seaside. Why do fish have fins? What do pirates do? This is a topic that focuses on what lies beneath the waves; a fun topic that is about adventure, the warmer season and the wonders of the sea .

English

Reading: Children will be involved in whole class sharing of different stories based around under the sea, pirates and the seaside. They will be taught phonics using Letters and Sounds. We will work towards reading aloud simple sentences which is consistent with their phonics knowledge. Children will also listen to non fiction texts about sea life creatures.

Writing: We will continue our focus on writing basic sentences and developing our handwriting. We will focus on using capital letters and full stops.

Maths

We will teach children to identify numbers 11-20 and have a focus on counting reliably, the properties of each number and recognising numbers. We will also be teaching basic 3D shape names, money, and measure. We will explore and represent patterns and compare quantities. We will begin to recall number bond up to 10, including some doubling facts.

Understanding the World

Children will be able to talk about what lies beneath the sea and make observations of sea creatures. We will look at the contrast between different environments drawing on the similarities and differences between them. We will look at maps and why they are important to us.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will work on becoming more independent and confident to try new activities when presented with a new challenge. We will express our feelings when working with others and show sensitivity towards their needs.

Communication and language

Children will hold a conversation responding with relevant comments and questions to clarify their understanding. Children will learn to use new vocabulary in discussions and use full sentences including the correct use of tense and conjunctions where appropriate.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will continue to develop their creativity by experimenting with different materials, tools and techniques and then using what they have created in their play. We will adapt, change and invent our own stories in our role play. We will perform some seaside songs. and rhymes and change story settings and characters.

Physical Development

In our outdoor PE sessions children will negotiate space and obstacles when moving energetically. They will demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing games and practising different movements. Children will begin to write sentences independently, holding their pencil with the tripod grip most of the time. When drawing children will draw with accuracy and care.

PSHE (Jigsaw)

We will have small group quality circle time sessions during our weekly jigsaw sessions. These will help children talk about relationships with others. We will be discussing changing me including the different parts of their bodies and the transition into Year 1.

