

Literacy

This theme will include a range of genres for reading and writing. We will be looking at fiction and non-fiction texts and poetry. The children will be writing instructions, explanations and descriptions. Year 1 children will be expected to extend their writing, more detailed sentences as well as the amount they write. High Frequency Words (for their particular Letters and Sounds Phase) should be spelt correctly and independently and Year 1 children should begin to use alternative graphemes for spelling.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development/PSHE

Through this term we will be looking at how we have changed in the last year, comparing the skills we had in September and the ones we have now. We will talk about transition into a new class or year group and the changes and expectations that may bring and how to now move forward academically and socially

Physical Development/PE

In Athletics we will continue to develop our skills in running, jumping and throwing and participate in team games. We will learn about sportsmanship and encouraging everyone to take part whatever their skills. We will discuss the benefits of a healthy lifestyle and identifying ways in which we can do this. The children will be encouraged to think about safety in the sun. At the pool we will continue to develop our stroke and style and extend our stamina and confidence. We will expect the children to form letters in one continuous movement with control and of similar size. The children will continue to develop their fine motor skills using a range of tools such as scissors, woodwork tools etc.

Commotion in the Ocean!

Mathematics

Through this theme we will continue our work on measurement including capacity and introduce symmetry. We will count in 10s and 1s and identify each part of a two digit number. Quick recall of number bonds and facts will continue. We will extend our work on money, adding and subtracting amounts and making amounts using mixed coins. The children will begin to match times using hours and minutes. They will be asked to solve problems using all these skills. Year 1 children will continue working with Roman numerals, recognising and writing numbers to 12.

Religious Education

This term we will be discussing the changes that have occurred in their lives since they were born. We will be looking at celebrations and ceremonies associated with birth in Christianity and other religions. We will also look forward to the changes that may happen as the children progress and grow older.

Communication and Language/Literacy

This term the children will be given opportunities to become more confident with speaking to a range of audiences, in particular larger and less familiar groups. Through role play and activities we will be encouraging the children to try out new vocabulary and extend their language skills.

Expressive Arts/ Art and DT

This term the children will have the opportunity to construct with a purpose in mind with a variety of resources and tools. We will look at and discuss a range of artists and their work and how they have used different techniques to create their images. Our role play areas this term will be based on the ocean- the seaside, a treasure island and shipwrecks. We will be creating our own sounds of the seas using the instruments, and working together as a group to link sounds and perform for each other.

Understanding of the World/Geography & History

We will be exploring and asking questions about the ocean. They will learn about different creatures that live under the sea, comparing features, environments and sorting by characteristics. We will use atlases and maps and talk about the different features shown and introduce geographical vocabulary to describe them. The children will investigate the properties of floating and sinking and how moving water makes things work. We will read stories from the past about people connected to the seas, for example Grace Darling or famous Pirates. They will use ICT to support their learning.