

Literacy:

Reading & Writing

We will be exploring a range of texts to help us learn more about life under the sea. These will include: Sharing a Shell, Snail and the Whale, Rainbow Fish, Tiddler and Commotion in the Ocean.

Phonics

In Phonics we will be consolidating the phase 2 and phase 3 sounds we have learnt, including digraphs (for example: oa and ai) and trigraphs (for example: igh.) We will also continue to learn and practice reading and spelling our 'tricky words' which do not follow the phonics rules. You can find more on our phonics section of Google Classroom.

Physical Development:

In PE this half term, we will be practising how to run skilfully, negotiating spaces successfully and adjusting our speed or direction to avoid obstacles. Activities will be completed alongside discussion around the importance of safety when tackling new challenges.

RE:

This half term our focus question is: What's in an Easter Garden? We will:

- Learn how Christians follow the example of Jesus by showing love to others.
- Learn about how Christians celebrate the life of Jesus and Easter.

Reception

Spring 2

Under the Sea

To make this topic even more relevant, and ensure the knowledge sticks, the children will:

- Become deep-sea divers to explore the wildlife under the sea.
- Visit the Horniman Museum for a trip to the aquarium.

Understanding the World:

We will be learning about how people have adventured to the seabed and describing the different environments found there.

We will be developing the vocabulary to describe similarities and differences between life in this country and life in others.

We will be exploring the natural world around us by visiting Horniman Museum and spending time in the aquarium.

Expressive Art & Design:

We will be developing a range of skills this half term including:

- Using a range of materials to develop our collage skills.
- Using different tools to make our own aquariums.
- Experimenting with mixing colours and textures to create an ocean.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development:

This half term we will focus on: Healthy Me!

We will be considering how we keep ourselves healthy and thinking about a healthy lifestyle. We will also think about how we can be a good friend and make healthy relationships with our peers.

Music:

In music this half term we will be exploring "Under the Sea" and "Amazing African Animals." We will be playing some fun, fishy music games. We will be listening and responding to music, such as Saint Saens' Carnival of Animals.

Maths:

In maths this half term we will:

- Continue to develop our counting skills, counting larger sets as well as counting actions and sounds.
- Explore a range of representations of numbers, including the 10-frame, and see how doubles can be arranged in a 10-frame.
- Compare quantities and numbers, including sets of objects which have different attributes.
- Continue to develop a sense of magnitude, e.g. knowing that 8 is quite a lot more than 2, but 4 is only a little bit more than 2.