

Dear parents/carers,
Welcome back to the Autumn term.



I hope you all had a fantastic summer holiday. This half term our topic will be seaside explorers with our class text 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson. In English we will be drafting, writing and composing sentences orally. Sequencing sentences to form short narratives, looking at creating settings, characters and plots. Using this to write fiction and non-fiction texts. In maths we will be looking at number and place value, addition and subtraction, including counting in multiples of 2, 3, 5 and 10 from 0 or 1.



Seaside Explorers areas of learning

Geography

Use simple blocked maps and plans
Describe places using their characteristics
Name places with similar characteristics (e.g. seashores and towns)

History

Identify old and new from pictures
Develop a simple awareness of the past
Use simple words and phrases to describe the past (after, before, between)
Answer questions about the past

Science

Talk simply about what we see
WALT answer simple questions about what we see
Describe simple features with vocab (e.g. parts of the body, parts of an animal etc)
Sort data within given criteria

Art and D&T

To describe what I want to do using pictures and words
To make lists of materials I will need
To use scissors or a cutting tool to cut out
To know how some moving objects work
To join materials together

Computing

Click and drag with a mouse
Switch on and shutdown a computer
Launch an application by double clicking.

RE

Who is a Muslim and what do they believe in?



PE every Friday, please make sure all kits are in school.

Spelling test every Friday, spellings are in your child's communication book

Maths number bond stories every Friday, please remember to bring in your number bond card.

Dojo shop on a Friday

Show and tell on a Friday ~ as our topic is exploring the sea could you bring in items that relate to the seaside, this might be shells, photographs or postcards.

Seaside afternoon 11th September
Birmingham Sea life Centre 23rd October



Come and join in the learning

On Thursday 3rd October year 1/2P would like you to come and join in the learning from 1:20 in the classroom. The children will be making a stained glass fish/sea creature.

You may wish to wear an art shirt/old t-shirt as you may end up with glue on your clothing!



Remember to bring in your communication book and reading book daily. Also don't forget to check out our class webpage for photos and information about the class learning.