



# Rivers & Coasts

Y6 Summer Term Learning 2017

## English

There will be some wonderful exploration of poetry taking place. The class will explore the use of figurative language and then experiment with using the writing technique in their own work.

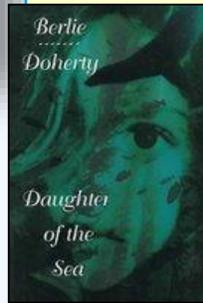
We will be reading extracts from the challenging but beautifully written *Daughter of the Sea* by Berlie Doherty. Our topic lends itself brilliantly to writing news stories and persuasive pieces linking these to ecology and care for our planet – we look forward to sharing some of this with you on our school Twitter feed.

## RE

There will be a slight change to timings of RE this term. Mrs Vine will be teaching the class on Wednesday afternoons as Mrs McCullough and Mrs Thompson-Nash will be using this time for planning, liaison and lesson preparation.

The class will continue to focus on the religions of Christianity and Buddhism. They will be exploring: Who is God?; Why is there suffering in the world? and How can we care for our world? – this links wonderfully with our geography focus of ecology and protection.

**Maths** The class have worked so hard this year. Following SATs we will be carrying out topic based maths as well as ensuring that skills are sharp and secondary ready. As our topic covers rivers and coasts, we will look at the economic and commercial aspects relating some of our maths learning to this.



## Music –it's show time!

We will be putting together an end of year show for parents and music will form a huge part of this. There will be an emphasis on performance.

**MFL** Using a Degas image as inspiration the class will be working on French vocabulary all about the seaside. In addition, Mrs Thompson-Nash will be revising key learning with them to ensure they are secondary ready.

**PE** Summer season athletics and fielding games. Please note, PE will be on **Wednesday and Friday** afternoons.

## Science/PSHE –emphasis on scientific working

As well as linking our water cycle work in geography with our science, we will focus this term on 'Animals as Humans'. This will link well with our PSHE program of learning where we explore relationship, sex and drug education. There will be additional information regarding this coming soon...

The class will be carrying out science work as far as possible using enquiry skills – as a school we are working on achieving the *Silver Primary Quality Mark for Science*.

## Humanities -Geography focus

We will be finding out about where water comes from in relation to the water cycle. Through research, the class will explore rivers of the world and then, first hand explore a local river. This will enable us to complete some geographical field studies.

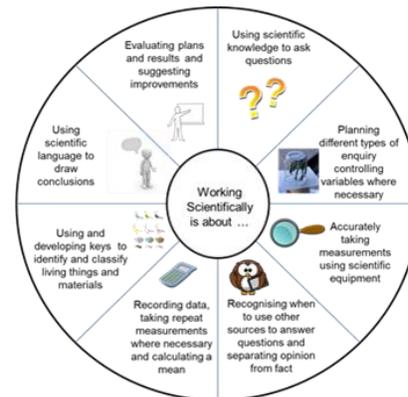
Having learned about the main features of rivers and coastal areas, the class will consider how they are under threat. We will investigate coastal erosion and weathering; how the rivers and coasts are used and what we can do to protect them.



## Creative Development

We are going to be using textiles this term to create a wonderful, sea themed, hanging decoration. The class will design, create patterns, sew and embellish their fabrics to create a final piece.

In addition, we will be using the image *The Great Wave* as a starting point for our own compositions. Within these, we will focus on the skills of pattern and line. Not forgetting our sketch books-these will be to hand for general experimental work and sketches.



## Enrichment

- Maths puzzle Day
- Trip to the local river
- Young Enterprise
- Sports Day
- Hub time
- Leavers assembly

This summer will be a very busy and exciting term. To begin, we will be focussing on our SATs working hard to revise in order to feel as confident as possible going into the tests. Next, we will enjoy learning about rivers and coasts: our new topic. Finally, we will be practising for our end of year show and leavers assembly.