

Key themes this half term

Ocean Tales and Trails Children will be learning about boats, how they are made and how they have changed over time. They will design and build their own boats.

Maths

This half term children will be learning about:

- Number and calculation: Place value to 100. Identifying the tens and ones in 2 digit numbers and using this to partition numbers
- Measurement: comparing different measurements using basic equipment to measure length and capacity. They will use measurements in simple calculations
- Time: reading o'clock and half past times on an analogue clock

Home Learning

Your support is invaluable and really does make a difference to your child's learning. This term we would particularly welcome help with any of the following:

- ✓ Listen to your child read every day where possible.
- ✓ Ask them about the book, front cover, pictures, likes or dislikes.
- ✓ Ask your child what they did during their school day. What did they enjoy?
- ✓ Support your child with any learning they bring home.

Literacy

Writing

This half term children will be learning how to:

- To join two sentences using 'and' and 'because'
- Use adjectives to describe story settings
- Write diaries and spell the days of the week
- Retell and adapt a well-known story

Reading

This half term children will be learning how to:

- Continue to use their phonic knowledge to read unfamiliar words.
- Read words with suffixes (words ending -ed, -ing and -est)
- Read aloud without too much sounding out.
- Develop speed of reading to support comprehension

Speaking and Listening

This half term children will be learning how to:

- Listen to and respond to their peers by building on what has already been said
- Ask sensible questions
- Maintain attention and participate in classroom conversations
- Learn to give their opinion with reasons

Please speak to your class teacher if you would like more specific guidance on how to help your child.

Other Curriculum Areas

During this half term children will be able to apply the skills learnt in literacy and maths into other subjects whilst also learning other key skills such as

Science – **classifying** the properties of materials and performing simple experiments to discover which materials float and sink

Design and Technology – **Designing** their own boats, **constructing** boats using materials that float and **evaluating** the success of their designs.

History – **Comparing** how boats have changed over time. Why have these changed? How do people use boats today?

PE – Gymnastics – jumping, hopping and skipping.

PE – Hockey – Developing ball and striking skills Developing team work skills

RE – understanding **How do people worship?** by exploring places of worship including a church and a mosque.

SMSC – **Dreams and Goals** learning about aspirations and what we need to do to achieve these