

# Our Summer Term 1

Topic is:

# Commotion in the Ocean!

Dear Parents and Carers, Welcome back we hope you all enjoyed a relaxing Easter break!

This half term we will be learning all about the oceans that surround us. We will learn about the layers of the ocean and all about the different oceans and continents from around the World. We will be exploring the importance of looking after our planet and will learn more about the sad realities of plastic pollution and how this is affecting the ocean wildlife. As always we cannot thank you enough for your continued support and commitment towards your child's learning. Please do not hesitate to contact us via Seesaw or before or after school if you have any questions or queries. Many Thanks, The Year 1 Team! ☺

## Mathematics:



In Maths this term we will be exploring measurement. We will learn more about length, height, mass and volume. A little later in the term we will be learning about multiplication and division.

## Religious Education:

We are going to learn about authority and Christianity.



## PSHE:



We are going to learn about basic first aid skills and what to do in situations where someone needs help. We will also be learning about living the wider World focusing on the theme 'Money Matters'.

## Computing:



We will be creating media by making our own examples of digital writing.

## History:

We will be learning about some important figures that have had a positive impact and continue to help to protect our planet and the creatures that live on it - David Attenborough and Greta Thunberg.

## Music: 'Have fun with improvisation!'



We will be learning about the beat, pulse and rhythm of music and will be using tuned and untuned instruments and our voices within our own performances.



## English:



This half term we will continue to focus on Phase 5 in phonics and will be continuing to practise reading and writing our tricky words correctly. Children will be encouraged to use and apply their sound knowledge to write simple, accurate sentences which include finger spaces, full stops and capital letters. Children will be learning about plastic pollution, creating their own posters to encourage others to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. We will also be reading a number of stories which follow an Ocean theme such as 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley' by Sarah Roberts.

## Geography:

We will be learning all about the United Kingdom as well as the 5 oceans and 7 continents around the World. We will use atlases, maps and Google Earth to locate these and label them correctly.

**Art & Design:** We will explore other artists work to create our own underwater turtle picture using paints and oil pastels.



**Design and Technology:** We will be creating a picture with a working lever!

## Science:

We will be learning all about how plants grow and how we can care for them. We will use our knowledge of seasons to record the seasonal changes in both Spring and Summer time.

## Reading:

Daily reading is so important for building your child's confidence, improving word recognition and fluency. Daily reading also helps children to develop a love and passion for books. Please remember to bring in your child's reading folder each day so we can provide them with new reading material and ensure their reward stamps are up to date!

## Physical Education:

Please ensure your child brings their PE kits into school in a named bag. Our class PE days will be as follows:

Toucan PE days- Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)

Hummingbird PE days- Monday (outside) and Thursday (indoor)

Flamingo PE days- Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)

**Dates for your diary!** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April- INSET Day school closed to pupils. Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April- - Children return to school following Easter. Summer Term 1 begins. Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April- Final Staw Workshop. Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May- BANK HOLIDAY school closed. Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May- School photographer in. WB. Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May- Half term.