Curriculum News

Year One Summer Term

TOPIC – The Seaside

Literacy
This term we will be reading stories about fantasy worlds and non-fiction texts will involve writing recounts of events. We will continue to reinforce correct letter formation to reduce letter reversals. We will further develop the use of capital letters and full stops. We will continue to build knowledge of the high frequency words and further develop comprehension skills.

Numeracy
Throughout this term we will continue to develop addition and subtraction skills, developing quicker recall of addition facts to 10 and number doubles as well as grouping and counting in 5's and 10's. We will continue to reinforce correct number formation to reduce the number of reversals and will learn to split numbers into tens and units. We will be looking at time, o'clock and half past and will learn about capacity and weight. We will revisit money, adding amounts and begin giving change from given amounts of money.

Music
We will be learning to identify and control a variety of sounds on musical instruments. We will also choose and order sounds to achieve an effect/image.

D.T.
This term we will be exploring the different types of puppets you can get. We will try out different joining techniques to find the strongest and then use this technique to make a hand puppet.

R.E.
We will be learning about Special Times in our own lives. We will be identifying and comparing how special times are celebrated in different religions.

History and Geography
This term we will be combining these two subjects. We will learn about seaside holidays, & what they were like in the past. We will recognize & discuss some similarities & differences between holidays now and in the past. We will identify key features which makes a seaside place and the reasons for the key features.

P.E.
We will be continuing our seaside theme through our dance by linking movements to create a seaside dance. In games we will continue to develop ball skills as well as introducing some simple athletics and working as a team to play different games.

Art
We are investigating the qualities of a variety of natural and man-made materials. We will learn skills for weaving & the understanding of colour & texture.

Science
Initially we will be learning about light and dark, naming and comparing a number of light sources. We will also investigate to see if we can see shiny things in the dark. After half term we will be learning to name some common plants and identify what plants need in order for them to grow well.

PSHCE
We will be learning about healthy lifestyles. We will lean how to keep ourselves healthy, including the importance of personal hygiene & exercise.

ICT
We will be learning to use a word bank to assemble sentences that communicate meaning, as well as entering text using a keyboard. We will also be learning that machines follow instructions and that they need to be controlled for something to happen.

Ways to help.
Continue to read regularly, asking more in depth questions abut what they are reading. Continue to encourage children to learn spellings and words that are sent home. Talk to your children about seaside holidays they have been on and if visiting a seaside place collect postcards/ photographs/ artefacts from the beach.