

# Under the Sea

## Our Learning

Our topic for the Summer term will be 'Under the Sea'. We will carry out an exciting DT challenge, create artwork inspired by the sea and learn about sea creatures. As Scientists we will be learning about plants and animals. We will become plant detectives, looking at the difference between garden plants, weeds and trees. We will then take a look at what different animals eat, recognising animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

In Literacy, we will continue working on making our writing more exciting with the use of adjectives and conjunctions. Through stories, we will spend time looking at different characters and settings. Additionally, we will be doing lots of work on our handwriting and ensuring we are forming our letters correctly.

As Mathematicians, we will be building on our number skills and begin to use them to solve mathematical problems. We will learn about using money and telling the time (o'clock and half past). We will also be consolidating our counting in steps of 2, 5 and 10. We would love for the children to practise these skills at home too as that really helps develop their understanding.

In Phonics, we will be continuing to follow the Little Wandle Reading Scheme in preparation for the Year 1 Phonics Screening which will take place in June. More information about this will be provided nearer the time of the screening.

## Staff Changes

We would like to offer a warm welcome to Mrs Baker who will be teaching Y1CE and Mrs Eason, who will be covering Mrs Forsyth when she starts her maternity leave in a few weeks. We wish both Miss Eddy and Mrs Forsyth all the best!

## Reminders

- ⇒ Children must have their indoor P.E. kit (house team t-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls) and outdoor P.E. kit (black jogging bottoms, black jumper/hoody and trainers) in school from Monday to Friday. Our PE days are **Wednesday** (outdoor) and **Friday** (indoor).
- ⇒ Please ensure children remove their earrings on P.E. days.
- ⇒ Please ensure children only bring water in their water bottles as children will not be able to consume anything else during learning time.
- ⇒ Children must bring their book bags to school each day with their reading books and home school diaries inside.
- ⇒ Children should only bring a healthy snack for playtimes, preferably with their name on.
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