

# **Early Years Newsletter -**



**English** 

For our literacy we are focusing on stories related to the new topic "Ocean Treasures". This includes stories such as 'Commotion in the ocean, 'House for hermit crab', 'Someone swallowed Stanley', and many more exciting tales that grasp the children's interest in reading. We will be using different writing formats such as writing frames, posters, labels, signing in forms and various other mark making resources. As an addition we shall continue with building upon pupils knowledge of simple sentence writing; use of punctuation; and descriptive language. This then continues with the mark making and reading opportunities allowing the children to use the learned sounds in Rocket Phonics.

#### **PSHE**

During the half term children will focus on an in-depth understanding of how to communicate with peers and build upon talking about emotions and how to regulate. This will be in linked with the Jig-Saw strategies we introduce to the pupils. This half term we shall be

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#### **Maths**

We shall be focusing on shape, space and measure as well as continuation if number facts. There will be a continuous focus on counting; using the correct methods and resources to express reasoning; identifying teen numbers; and focus on identifying counting in groups of two, fives, tens and threes! Pupils will also have the opportunity to develop their knowledge of 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional shapes, where they can identify properties. There will also be a focus on length, height and capacity. Children will able to use real life objects as part of their role play to enhance their vocabulary and problem solving skills. This will then lead to explanation of their reasoning and development of individual thought processes. Songs and specific tasks will help to explain their learning, as well as visual, playful, activities in all areas of provision.

## **Homework**

Please read the book given to your child on the weekend and return on a Monday for pupils to change once completed.

Any other work is given on a Friday to complete. This will be remote learning tasks available on Tapestry.

The teachers may also give extra tasks in paper form or electronically.

### **Topic**

The Spring Two topic relates to our new focus "Ocean Treasures". This explores and embraces pupil's imagination when discussing transport, pollution, the importance of our oceans and the wild life. We will explore and elaborate on animals and the science behind floating and sinking. We will than discuss links to our pupils understanding of similarities and differences of these. It will be great to enhance their learning in relation to the world around us and specifically look at the natural world. We will focus on internet safety and the importance of parental engagement. tools.



## **Reading Book**



We will be encouraging the children to read every day. Please listen to your children read at home and sign their reading record. Reading

books and other school resources should be brought back into school every day.