



Class 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Summer Term 2021

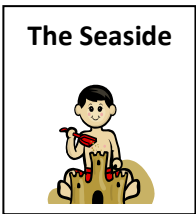
During the summer term we have lots of exiting things to learn. Our new theme for the whole term will be The Seaside.

English – The children have been busy writing their own non-fiction book on sea creatures. Next we will look at letter writing. Next half term we will continue with our seaside theme doing fantasy settings, stories from other cultures.

Music – We will be learning about dynamics and exploring how to make percussion instruments sound loud and quiet.

Mathematics – We have started a unit on multiplication and division, finding how many groups of objects we have. We will also challenge the children with some practical problem solving to apply their knowledge. Useful activities to do at home are: to practise addition and subtraction facts to 10, give 1 more and 1 less than a given number, learn number bonds to 10 and use them to make 20, and count in 2's, 5's and 10's.

Art – Sculptures using natural materials and man-made materials.
DT – To make a fruit salad!



Science – **KQ Can I identify, name and describe different parts of a plant?** We will look at the seasons and how these have changed while being in Year 1. We will find out the names of common flowers and trees and learn the basic structure of a plant.

PSHE/Citizenship – This half term we are looking at scenarios linked to We Eat Elephants. Next half term we are learning about money and economic wellbeing as well as looking forward to the transition into our new class.

RE –KQ Who do Christians say made the world? Recognise that 'Creation' is the beginning of the 'big story' of the Bible and say what the story tells Christians about God, Creation and the world.

History – **KQ How have seaside holidays changed through time?** The seaside today and what seaside holidays were like 50 and 100 years ago.

Geography –KQ: Can I describe different features of a seaside? Where are beaches? We will describe the physical and manmade features of the beach, use maps to find different countries and continents visited and identify the seasonal changes in weather.

PE – This term we are using ball skills, especially when using rackets or hockey sticks. Next half term we will play competitive games and do athletics.

ICT – learning how to log onto the computer system at school, using the keyboard to write our full name and the password. We will learn how write simple sentences using the shift or caps lock for our capital letters and space bar for finger spaces.

Reading: Your child will read in a small adult guided group regularly during the week. To support their reading development, please could you listen to your child read their book for 5-10 minutes every day. We do encourage you to record progress in their reading progress books. Please also take time to practice phonics and reading alien words.

Homework: Apart from reading with your child, Maths and Phonic homework will be given to them on a Thursday/Friday. Please ensure that this is returned each Thursday.

PE: Your child will have PE on Tuesday and Friday. Because of time and Covid, we may not require them to change their clothes.

Absence: If your child is absent from school please telephone school on the first day.

Clothing and Personal items: Please make sure that these are named clearly.

Sunhat and Sun-cream: Please ensure your child has a named hat and where possible, apply an all day sun protection each morning.

Many thanks for your continued support. Even though it can be difficult to communicate with you on a daily basis, we are still here to help in anyway we can. Please phone to make an appointment or follow up call if you have any concerns or worries. We hope you and your child will have a happy and enjoyable term of learning.

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