

Ladybirds – Summer 1



This term our topic is...

Sailing the Seven Seas

We hope you have had a lovely half term! This half term our topic is 'Sailing the Seven Seas. I have attached the topic vocabulary sheet with the key words we will be learning. Children will also be having some transition over this half term ready for Year 1. More details will follow!

Communication and Language

- Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions.
- Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate

Literacy

- Recap reading & writing Phase 2 & 3 phonemes and tricky words
- Recap reading & writing Phase 4 tricky words and letter blends.
- Reading and sharing stories with each others
- Sequencing & retelling stories
- Learning poems from 'The Poetry Basket'

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.
- Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others.
- Learning to keep safe by the seaside

Mathematics

- Building numbers up to 20
- Consolidate key concepts such as subitising, composition and counting
- Adding amounts
- Subtracting amounts
- Doubling amounts
- Sharing amounts into equal groups
- Noticing patterns in odds and evens

Physical Development

- Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using the tripod grip in almost all cases.
- Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery
- Forming letters the correct way and beginning to write on a line.

Understanding the World

- Comparing places across the world
- Talk about under the sea creature and learn about where they live and what they eat.
- Seaside safety
- Comparing differences and similarities between seaside holidays between now and the past.
- Discovery RE: special places. (Christianity, Islam, Hinduism)

How to help at home:

Here are some things that will help the children with their learning at school:

- Read four times a week for fluency of reading
- Continue to use letterjoin to practise letter formation

Expressive Arts and Design

- Children create their own boats and pirate flags using a variety of materials.
- Choosing appropriate type of joining materials.
- Pirate pretend play!
- Making treasure maps
- Telling our own pirate stories