

Every day every child will read in a focus group with an adult in an exciting program called **Read Write Inc.** A range of different learning styles will be catered for through the use of interactive and engaging activities.

Phonics (the learning of sounds in the alphabet) will also take place every day in small groups. You can help by asking your child to sound out words from their reading books or talking about what you have read to them.

Some children will be starting to learn di-graphs (two letters which form one sound e.g. sh, ch, th, ll, etc)

In **L (Literacy)** we will be focussing on stories about the sea. First we will learn about the Pout-Pout fish and see what we can do to make him happy again. We will be writing a letter to him with advice. We will then be helping a pirate who's far too clean to be a real pirate so we'll be giving him our advice too! We will also be writing messages in bottles to send to pirates.

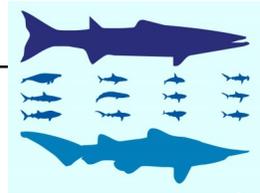
We will also begin to look at some non-fiction texts and we will begin to describe the features of fact books. We will even have a go at writing our own.



In **M (Maths)** we will be learning about measurements! We will be ordering the size of fish and shells from biggest to smallest. We will be talking about the different language we use to measure including heavy, light, tall or short.

We will also be finding pirate treasure! We will learn to recognise coins and counts 1p and 2ps.

We will be making maps to help develop our positional language and of course to help us find the treasure!



In **CL (Communication and Language)** we will be talking about using our language and speech in different ways such as answering questions, sharing problems, celebrating learning, etc.

In **PD (Physical Development)** we will be developing increasing control over objects by pushing, patting, throwing, catching or kicking things in PE. Please also keep practicing with your child to become more independent and responsible in dressing and undressing themselves.

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This is our curriculum map to show the fantastic learning that we will be doing in Reception this half term!!

In **ExAD (Expressive Art and Design)** we will be learning to collage through fish, sharks and jelly-fish.

Linked to our learning on recycling we will discover what different materials are and how we can sort them.

We will also be learning some sea themed songs such as Under the Sea and Octopus's Garden.

For pirates we will make treasure maps, even tea-staining them so they look real.

Using our **ICT skills** we will use games and websites to support our learning. We also use iPads, cameras, interactive whiteboards and robots in the classroom to enhance learning throughout the curriculum. We will also have ICT week coming up where the children will be participating in a longer project for filming on iPads.

In **PSED (Personal, Social and Emotional Development)**, we will be thinking about our own feelings and the feelings of others. We will have a new visitor joining the class who will prove very useful for helping the children develop their personal, social and emotional development. More to be revealed soon!

In **UW (Knowledge and Understanding of the World)**, we will be learning all about the environment and how we can protect our oceans. We will find out about the importance of recycling and not wasting water.

We will also compare different habitats of sea animals and talk about their food chain.

