

# This half term's topic is ... Seaside and Pirates

## General information

During this difficult time, please prioritise your family's health and wellbeing. If your child does not wish to do an activity, don't force them. Let them approach things at their own pace and in their own time. It is very different for them to learn at home compared to learning at school alongside their peers. Children are always learning in everything they do so their play at home will always support their learning.

### Phonics and reading

- Please continue to access reading books on the Rising Stars Reading Planet online library with the login details provided to you previously. Go to <https://my.risingstars-uk.com/Default.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>. We can see that some of you have read quite a few books. We are updating the books that are assigned to you as we see your progress.
- Phonics Play games - <https://new.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/3>. Login with the following details (username - march20, password - home) to access the games for free. Focus on Phase 2 or Phase 3.

### Physical activity

Don't forget to have your daily exercise. At school you would have time at playtime, lunchtime and P.E. time to be active as well as Movement for learning and learning outdoors.

- You could join Joe Wicks in the morning for your workout - <https://www.youtube.com/user/thebodycoach1/videos>
- You could even dance with Just Dance - <https://justdancenow.com/>
- What about trying your hand at cosmic yoga? - <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>.
- There's also the wake up, shake up dance too - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=RD7zySLpeFUcM&v=1gUbdNbu6ak>

### Maths

Please continue to use the Numbots game which we gave you the log in details for. This will really help your child practise key number skills.



### Communication via Twitter and/or Email

As we are now back in school every day with some Early Years and Year 1 children, we will be unable to respond to emails as quickly as normal. We will still be posting on Twitter but will also not be responding as quickly to posts on there as we will be teaching all day. Please be patient with us. Please try to make sure that you make contact with us at least once a week so that we know that you are safe and well.

Observational Art  
Draw the human mannequin  
(see attached photo)

## This week, our focus will be...

# Pirate ships and pirate journeys

This week's investigation is Underwater Candle (see attached sheet). Please post on Twitter or email with your results.

### Reading, Phonics and Writing

- This week's story relating to our topic is 'Class Three all at Sea' - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J15ZRmhWdRs>
- This week's poem from the Poetry basket is 'The Fox' (This is will be put on Twitter)
- Phonics – Mon - Mr Mc - Missing digraph- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VuFXOvMMkSg>, Tues - Phonics Play website - Buried treasure, Wed - Mr Mc - ou - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ChqWMTsXVt>, Thurs - Phonics Play website - Picnic on Pluto, Fri - Mr Mc - who said that? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dCkrhk-lj7o>
- Writing – We would like you to think about what you treasure/what you see as special. Make a list of 5 or 10 'things' that you treasure the most. They can be items or people or animals, whatever is most important to you. Remember that a list is written with one word underneath each other. Use your phonics to sound out the words. Don't worry if you can't get every sound in the word.

### Miss Berry's challenge

Dot painting of a queen using the attached sheet. Use cotton buds to fill in the queen picture. Take your time. (you can finger paint if you don't have any cotton buds)

### Maths

- Continue working on Numbots using the login given to you in week 1.
- Numberblocks – Become familiar with the teen numbers by watching the episodes about numbers 13 and 14. Reinforce that the number is made of 10 and 3 or 10 and 4. - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks?seriesId=b0bls7vy>
- Quick, double it up! – Say a number for your child to double. They can use their fingers to help them visualise. If they are confident to 5+5, numbers 6 and 10 should be worked out as knowing that 6 is 5+1 so 5+5=10 and 1+1=2. This is where the teen Numberblocks with 10+\_\_ will be useful but this is more challenging.
- 2D shapes - Recap the names of 2D (flat) shapes. Talk about words to describe the shapes like corner, straight/curved side, long/short sides. You could make some shapes and hide them. Can you search for a square? Can you find a shape with 4 straight sides?

### Topic Challenges for this week...

- Look at the Powerpoint called 'Pirate Ships' (see attached) to find out what life was like on board a pirate ship. Horrible Histories also have a clip - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/watch/p00smdp2>
- Learn the song 'We're off on an adventure' (see attached backing track and song words)
- Stain some paper with a tea bag and once it's dry, create a treasure map.
- Build your own pirate ship using boxes, pots and any other materials from your recycling.