

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/5>. Login with the following details (username - march20, password - home) to access the games for free. Focus on Phase 5 or Phase 6.

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.

- Join Joe Wicks - <https://www.youtube.com/user/thebodycoach1/videos>
- Why not have a go at some of the moves we do with GoNoodle? - <https://www.gonoodle.com>. Clap it out, Banana, Banana, Meatball, Meow moo moo and Fabio's meatball run are our favourites.
- You could even dance with Just Dance - <https://justdancenow.com/>
- There's also the Wake up, Shake up dance too - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=RD7zySLpeEUcM&v=1gUbdNbu6ak>

Maths

Please continue to use the Numbots game. The quicker you are, the faster you move through the levels and challenge yourself more. Don't forget that you can use the same login to access Times Table Rockstars at <https://play.ttrockstars.com>. Year 2 children, this would be particularly beneficial for you.



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.



This week, our focus will be...

Pirate ships and journeys

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>
- Spelling rhyming words – Listen to the Class Three all at Sea story again and make a list of rhyming words as the story is read. You will need to pause the story from time to time.
- Phonics – This week we'll focus on 'aw' and 'au' (one each day). Listen to the songs about Astronaut Paul (au) and Dawn Hawk (aw) from Phab Fonics and try to write down as many au/aw words after the song has finished. Listen back to check your spelling and see which you missed. <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLTvzbQeZImQom1zPXXEiwZleBL3IBmfE>
- Writing – Create a pirate adventure story which starts with the following, "Land Ahoy!", shouted Hugo, the deckhand. Captain Redbeard started hopping up and down with excitement. The treasure was nearly in sight!. First plan out, in picture form, how your story will develop. Take your time to write the story. You will need to do this over a few days in order that you can maintain stamina. Don't rush it! *Focus for Year 1* = check for capital letter and full stop in every sentence, 'and' to join some sentences, difference in letter size. *Focus for Year 2* = use of capital letter, full stop, ! and ?, variety of conjunctions (and, because, so, when) and joined handwriting. Both year groups should be prompted to check spelling of common exception words given in packs before Easter.

This week's challenge...

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

Maths

- White Rose Home learning – Listen to the teaching video each day for Summer term week 7 - <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/> If you have requested worksheets, these will be emailed to you.
- Right angle detective – Join 2 pieces of paper to make an 'L' shape. Use it to look around your house to find things that have at least one right angle.
- Draw 2D shapes – Draw different 2D shapes including pentagon, hexagon and octagon (this is harder for children than you think). Name each. Remember that they can be regular (sides and angles the same) and/or irregular (sides and angles not the same).
- 2D shape give us a clue - Give clues to describe one of your shapes for someone else to guess. Use words such as side, corner, straight, curved, same/different lengths, regular/irregular, __right angles.
- Numbots/Times table rockstars – Don't forget to play!

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)
- Find out the names of the 5 oceans of the world and where they are located. Which is largest? Which is closest to the UK? Which ocean is the Philippines in?
- 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.