

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 are updating the books that are assigned to you as we see your progress. This subscription will remain until 18th July after which it will no longer be available. In the last week of term, we will be offering you the opportunity to collect 3 reading books from school for over the summer holidays. More details to follow soon.
- 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.

- Why not have a go at some of the moves we do with GoNoodle? - <https://www.gonoodle.com>. Run the red carpet, Moose juice and a pirate's life are our favourites in school at the moment.
- 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=RD7zySLpeEJcM&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

We are aware that it has been a long time to be learning at home. We are looking forward to seeing you as soon as we are able to. We still love to see what you are doing at home so 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. Even though we are teaching in school, we still look at the class email and Twitter, just not as frequently as we were doing, but it's important that we stay in touch.

This week, our focus will be...

Sea creatures

Reading, Phonics and Writing

- This week's story relating to our topic is called Rainbow Fish and the Sea Monsters' cave - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GX6loCr2cYM>
- Phonics – This week we will focus on grammar rather than spelling. Use this <https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/grammar/nouns.htm> to practise identifying nouns (noun explorer), adjectives (adjective adventure), verbs (verbs in space) and capital letters (magical capitals). There are 4 different games on the left side of the screen.
- Writing – Look at the topic Powerpoint to give you ideas before you start. Fold an A4 piece of paper in half as you will be making a non-fiction book about a rock pool creature. Create a title and good illustration on the front. Inside, lay out your information under headings, thinking about clear spaces between the sections so it is easy to locate information without having to read everything so you might choose 'What do ____ look like?' 'What do ____ eat?' 'Their young' Try to be informative so you may want to find out some facts before you start writing.
Focus for Year 1 = check for capital letter and full stop in every sentence, use 'and' to join sentences, show a difference in letter size.
Focus for Year 2 = use of capital letter, full stop, ! and ?, use a variety of conjunctions (and, because, so, when).

Maths

- White Rose Home learning – Listen to the teaching video each day for Summer term week 10 - <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/> If you have requested worksheets, these will be emailed to you.
- Numbots/Times table rockstars – Don't forget to play!
- Hexabonds – Select the number bonds you want to practise (10, 20, 50, 100) and off you go! <https://www.primarygames.co.uk/pg3/hexabonds/hexabonds.html>
- Subtraction – see separate sheet for different activities.

Topic Challenges for this week...

- Look at the Powerpoint called 'All about rockpool creatures' to learn new facts about these creatures.
- Classifying living things at the seaside – Draw 4 different things you would find at the seaside that you could put under these headings – plant, mammal, bird, fish
- Learn the song 'There's a hole at the bottom of the sea' This follows on from last week - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/music-ks1-sun-sea-song-index/zr4x2sg>
- Create a moving fish. This will test your skills of following instructions and accurate folding and creasing. <http://brokatak.com/2016/07/moving-fish/>



This week's challenge...

Go on a walk and collect lots of natural materials. Back at home, make a symmetrical picture outside using the natural materials. Here are a few photos to give you some ideas.

