

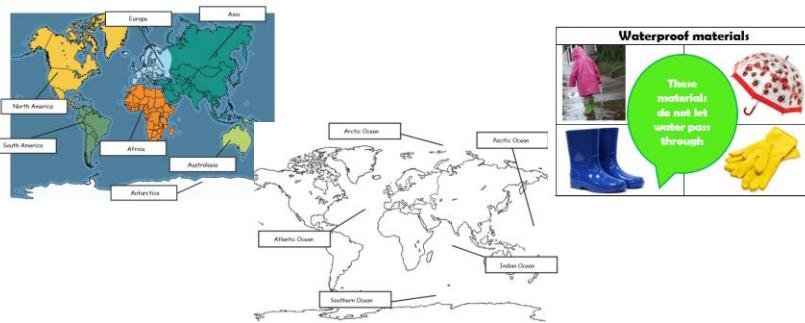


Topic Overview

This Spring Term 1, Year 1 and 2 have an exciting learning journey ahead! In English, we'll be exploring non-fiction texts, including *The Big Book of Blue*, to help us discover amazing facts about sea creatures. We'll also be using a short video as inspiration to write our own narrative texts, building imaginative stories with clear beginnings, middles and endings. In Geography, the children will be learning about the world's oceans and continents, developing their understanding of our planet and the places we live. In Science, we'll be investigating different materials, exploring their properties and how they are used in everyday life. In DT, the children will learn how to use simple mechanisms and how they can be used to create movement in a design. They'll then put their new skills into action by planning and making their own moving picture of a boat at sea, bringing waves, sails and sea creatures to life through clever mechanical features. It's set to be a fantastic term full of curiosity, creativity and discovery.

Topic Information

English - Fact files to inform, Narratives linked to a film clip.
Maths - Addition and subtraction, multiplication and division
Science - Materials
Geography - Locational knowledge and geographical skills, continents and oceans
DT - Mechanism sliders and levers
SCARF - Keeping Safe - Safe and Unsafe Secrets, Appropriate Touch, Medicine Safety
RE - Jesus's Friends and Followers
Computing - Images and digital art
PE - Target games and gymnastics
Music - Duration, unison, round



How you can help?

- Listen to your child read at least 4 times per week and log on Boomreader
- Read to your child to help them develop a love of reading
- Help your child access and practise the spelling shed games and assignments
- Look through the geography and science knowledge organiser we have sent home with your child and help them recall the key knowledge from it, focusing also on the key vocabulary

Useful Information

- PE is on a Wednesday and Thursday. Please make sure earrings are removed or covered and named PE kits are in school. PE may be outside so please make sure your child has plimsolls in their bag.
- Please continue to read with your child at home and record on Boomreader. Reading regularly makes a huge difference to your child's progress in school.
- Forest School is for all of Fire Class on a Friday afternoon. Please send spare clothes, including gloves, hat and wellies in a bag.
- Spelling assignments on Spelling Shed will be live for Year 1 children for the first two weeks of term and then they will focus on common exception words for the rest of the half term. The Year 2 children will have assignments on Spelling Shed throughout the school year.