



WAVES

Year 4 spring term

ENGLISH

This term, we will use lots of ocean themed books to inspire our writing. Children will write a fantasy narrative based on the wordless story book, Flotsam. Using research on ocean life, they will write a non-chronological report about a chosen sea creature and an emotive narrative poem based on Keiko the whale. During our reading sessions, we will explore a Micheal Morpurgo text, 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and use this to answer a variety of retrieval, inference and summarising questions. We will then go on to write a newspaper report about the main character.

MATHS

In maths this term, we will learn how to use formal written methods to multiply and divide 3 digits by 1 digit. As part of our measurement topic we will count squares to calculate the area of a shape and make shapes of different areas. Finally we will find equivalent fractions and add and subtract fractions with the same denominator.

COMPUTING

In addition to using our computing skills across the curriculum this term, we will also create music algorithms on scratch, decompose a program and build a game that uses continuous loops.

WOW EVENT!

SEALIFE CENTRE VISIT

HUMANITIES

HISTORY

Looking at diaries, letters and research we will find out about 19th century exploration and the famous Jacques Cousteau. As part of our history focus, we will also learn how Coventry has had an impact on the music industry.

GEOGRAPHY

This term, we will identify processes in the water cycle, describe the three courses of a river and will name and locate key rivers in our location. We will then look at how the ocean regulates the Earth's climate, how humans impact our rivers and oceans and actions that can be taken to help support healthy rivers and oceans.

PSHE

This term, we will be answering the following questions in our PSHE sessions.
How do we keep safe around medicines, alcohol and drugs? Medicines, smoking, alcohol, vaccinations and immunisations.
What helps us succeed? Self-worth, self esteem, setting goals, resilience and managing set-backs.

THE ARTS

MUSIC

This term, we will be learning all about the History of Coventry Music.

ART & DESIGN

This half term, we will recreate the famous 'Great Wave' piece of art inspired by Hokusai. We will also learn all about surrealism and realism artwork and create our own pieces using what we have learnt. In DT, we will research the use of lighthouses and make our own including a working light.

SCIENCE

LIVING THINGS AND THEIR HABITATS

To support our learning in our creative curriculum lessons, we will learn about habitats, classification keys and food chains. We will discuss how food chains can be broken and the impact of this on living things.

SOUND

In the second half term, we will learn how sound is made, how sound travels and how we hear sounds. We will investigate and measure how sound can change and learn the key vocabulary associated with these changes.