



WAVES

Year 4 Spring Term

ENGLISH

This term, we will use lots of ocean themed books to inspire our writing. Throughout this topic, we will learn about the life in the ocean and the discoveries made. We will learn about the work of Jacques Cousteau and the many environmental issues impacting on ocean life. 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 be consolidating some of our learning from the autumn term in addition to learning new methods and skills. We will learn how to multiply and divide 2 and 3 digit numbers by 1 digit using a formal written method to do this. We will also learn how to find the area of a rectangle and complete a unit of work on fractions. This will include finding the fraction of an amount, finding equivalent fractions and adding and subtracting fractions. Throughout this term we will continue to learn our times tables and further develop our ability to recall multiplication and division facts quickly.

WOW EVENT!

SEALIFE CENTRE VISIT

HUMANITIES

HISTORY

We will examine a range of sources to answer questions posed by ourselves. 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 focus on describing and understanding the key aspects of the water cycle. We will also locate geographical regions and learn how physical processes have changed landscapes.

LANGUAGES

Topics studied this term in French will include: months of the year, animal names, parts of the body, nouns and commands.

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.

THE ARTS

MUSIC

This term, we will be listening to various pieces of music and discuss the feelings generated by this.

ART & DESIGN

We have a very exciting term ahead where we will be creating our own seascapes using watercolour as well as learning about great artists and designers. In DT, we will be using textiles skills to create a chosen sea creature from fabric.

PSHE

We are going to learn about staying safe online, managing risks, poverty and the importance of equality.

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.

WATER CYCLE

During this term, we will also learn about the water-cycle and learn how temperature affects the rate of evaporation.