

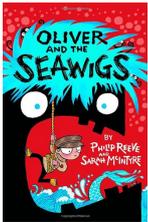


Under The Sea



Our theme this term will be all about under the sea. We will be focusing on the book 'Oliver and the Seawigs'. We will be studying mythical places and creatures, especially those that lurk under the water! Later on in the term, we will be looking more closely at the geographical features of the earth.

English



Our main focus in English lessons this term will be around the book 'Oliver and the Seawigs' by Philip Reeve. We will be extracting information from the illustrations by Sarah McIntyre to make predictions and this will be extended into art. Children will use the text to make inferences and they will be given the opportunity to study different language features such as information texts and poetry. There will be lots of opportunities for writing, especially centred on characters, plots and settings.

Mathematics and computing

Our focus in maths this term is to continue on the use and application of number skills, particularly when dealing with money, data handling and multiplication. Each child will have their own individual target based on recalling multiplication and division facts. Please talk to your child about their target and help them to achieve this by helping them to recall their times tables. In computing, the children will be finding out how to how to combine start events and click events to make a simple game.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



We will continue to use R Time to develop our compromise and negotiating strategies. This theme will encourage the children to empathise with a range of people, including their classmates. We shall have a particular focus on behaving safely and responsibly in different situations, for example PE.

Expressive Art and Design

During the theme they will need to research artists and their work such as Henri Matisse. They will study collage and plan their own through looking at the illustrations from Oliver and the Seawigs followed by evaluation of their own work. We will also create sculptures with clay including prototypes of our very own seawigs! We will be designing mythical creatures and the children will have the opportunity to produce these on a large scale. We will be singing Sea Shanties and composing some of our own. We hope to celebrate all these fabulous things with a 'Night of the Seawigs' procession.



Any leftover material or resources suitable for making collages would be hugely appreciated to help us with our big art work.

Understanding the World

We will be looking at the landscape of different countries and beginning to think about ancient civilisations in preparation for further work on this in the second half of the Summer term. We are using atlases to help us gain a better understanding of countries and continents and their location. We are currently planning a trip to the seaside to help us in our understanding of Oliver's travels in our English lessons and the local environment. We hope this trip will take place at the end of the term.



Physical Development

This half-term, we will be focusing on our throwing and catching skills. Children will participate in a range of activities focusing on hand eye coordination with different equipment. Children will concentrate on developing their precision and catching skills in order to participate in small game activities. We will also be preparing for the school skipathon that will take place in the second half of the Summer term.