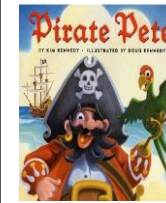


**Dear Reception and Nursery Parents,** here is our topic for this half term. Please use it to aid your own research or bring things into class to support our learning. Have fun!



**As individuals and friends we will:**  
Learn how to play collaboratively with others, taking on board their ideas when engaged in play. Take part in Lucinda and Godfrey and anti-bullying events to celebrate our individual differences and to gain a deeper understanding about how our actions affect others.



**As healthy movers we will:**  
Learn about the importance of diet, sun safety and personal hygiene in keeping well. In movement lessons we will practise moving in different ways, learning how to hop, skip and jump in time to music.

Nursery pupils will take part in pirate themed squiggle whilst you wiggle lessons to develop their basic movement skills. We will continue to develop our fine motor skills by taking part in dough disco. You can get involved with dough disco at home by visiting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i-lfzeG1aC4>



**As communicators we will:**  
Learn new vocabulary related to the summer season, seaside exploration and pirates! We will learn new words from our story books related to pirates and the seaside and express our ideas effectively to our peers and teachers.

**As readers and writers we will:**

Read: 'Pirate Pete by Kim Kennedy, Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister, Grandpa Granda-a read together book and The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch.

**Writing:** Reception pupils will aim to write sentences independently which include capital letters, fingerspaces, some correctly spelt words and fullstops! Nursery pupils will aim to write their names and engage in mark making, ascribing meaning to their marks.



## What might you find at the beach?



**As artists, actors and musicians:**

We will create seaside collages using a variety of different materials. Create 3D seaside collage pictures, exploring and mixing different colour paints. Learn songs about pirates, sea creatures and the seaside. Engage in imaginative play related to pirates!



**As explorers and investigators we will:**

Learn about natural objects and magnets. We will find out which of our objects are magnetic and why.

We will learn about different types sealife and experiment with concepts such as floating and sinking.



**As mathematicians we will:**

Explore sorting with shells, sea creatures and seaside objects. Learn to recognise numbers and match them correctly to groups of objects. We will explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes describing their sides, corners, faces and names.

Reception pupils will apply their understanding of numbers to solve problems which involve sharing, halving, doubling and counting in groups of 2s, 5s and 10s.

**As effective learners we will:**

Take part in problem solving activities where we will learn through trial and error. Develop our listening and attention skills, taking active roles in class discussions and learn how to work as part of a team.