



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 5th June 2023

Welcome back to all of our families! We hope you have had a good week off school and look forward to hearing about what you've been doing.

This week we begin our new topic 'Under the Sea'. We will start by finding water on a map and thinking about things we already know. Our focus story is 'Sharing a Shell'.

We will be playing in our new role play area and learning about what creatures we might find under the sea. In our small world we have a rock pool set up to explore and play with.

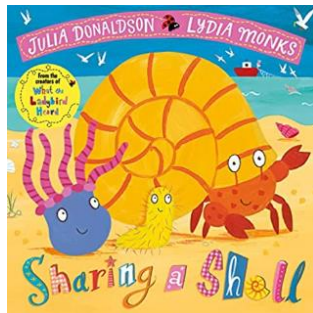
In RE we will start our new topic of 'people who help us' with a focus on the job of the priest.

Focus words this week: ocean, sea, balance, mass, heavy/light

Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Sharing a Shell



Maths Focus:

Mass



Cook with your child. Talk about the weight of different ingredients. Get them to predict which is heavier and lighter.

Play this game:

<https://pbskids.org/peg/games/happy-camel/>



Rhyme of the Week:

Five Little Fish

(Sing to the tune of "Five Little Monkeys Swinging in a Tree.")

Five little fish swimming in the sea,
Teasing Mr. Shark, "You can't catch me, you can't catch me!" Along
comes Mr. Shark as quiet as can be,
And snaps that fish right out of the sea.
Four little fish swimming in the sea,
Teasing Mr. Shark, "You can't catch me, you can't catch me!" Along
comes Mr. Shark as quiet as can be,
And snaps that fish right out of the sea.
Three little fish swimming in the sea,
Teasing Mr. Shark, "You can't catch me, you can't catch me!" Along
comes Mr. Shark as quiet as can be,
And snaps that fish right out of the sea.
Two little fish swimming in the sea,
Teasing Mr. Shark, "You can't catch me, you can't catch me!" Along
comes Mr. Shark as quiet as can be,
And snaps that fish right out of the sea.
One little fish swimming in the sea.

Story Time

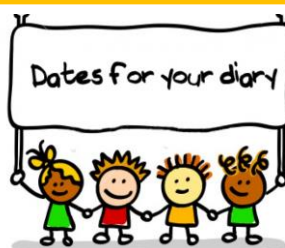
Reading books will be changed throughout the week.

1000 story books will be changed on Mondays this half term.



This week the children will:

- Play in our new under the sea role play area
- Play in our small world rock pool
- Explore the new curiosity cube
- Read our story 'Sharing a Shell'
- Watch a live webcam of a reef
- Finding water on maps/ globes
- Talk about what we already know about the Sea
- Drawing story maps of our talk for writing text
- Threading fish/ punching holes for fine motor development
- Learn about mass and ordering things from lightest to heaviest, using simple balance scales.
- Recall number facts to 5 and 10
- Learning some new poems and rhymes.



Thursday 22nd – Reading Breakfast

Parents are invited in to class from 9:10-10:00 to share stories and read with their children. There will be activities out to promote reading as well as refreshments.

Sunday 11th June School & Family Mass 8.30am at St Joseph's Church , Darlaston

Tuesday 13th June Whole school mass in school at 2.30pm – parents welcome

Friday 16th June Pep the Poet in school – Poetry writing workshops

Thursday 6th July Reception visit to SeaLife Birmingham

Friday 7th July Music performances for Parents Reception, Year 1 & 2 will be performing at 9.15am Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be performing at 2.30pm

Monday 10th July EYFS & KS1 Sports Day – parents welcome

Friday 14th July Transition morning in school – children move up to spend time with their new teacher in their new classroom

Friday 21st July School picnic lunch

Friday 21st July at 3.15pm Break up for summer holidays! Join us on the playground at the end of the school day as we say goodbye to Year 6!