

Summer 2 John Coles Newsletter

Dear Parents/carers,

This term we will be looking at a couple of different topics. Firstly, we will cover 'The Jungle', learning about different jungle animals and having a trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park. Then we will focus on the theme of 'The Seaside'. Where we will be exploring lots of stories about the seaside and we will look at caring for the seaside and ocean.

Through these themes we will be covering all areas of the curriculum with lots of rich play activities, storytelling and adult guided activities.

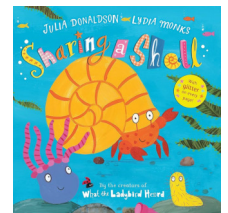
Personal, Social and Emotional development



We will be doing weekly circle time activities linking in with our SCARF theme 'Growing up' looking at how we have changed and getting ready for Year 1.

Communication Language and Literacy

We will be sharing lots of different stories, including Giraffes can't dance, Monkey Puzzle, Hooray for Fish, Sharing a Shell and Rainbow Fish. We will be extending our story telling vocabulary and focusing on the characters in the story. The children will also take part in Helicopter Stories each week.



Phonics

We are consolidating all the sounds that we have learnt this year and practise reading these in new words and sentences. **It is really important that children read at home. Please read weekly and record it in the yellow contact books.**

Fine Motor

Children will continue to develop their handwriting. In school we will be practising writing all the letter sounds and short sentences in readiness for year 1.

Maths

We will be taking part in daily maths activities. These will be hands on practical small group activities developing our knowledge of number, grouping and sharing. We will also be looking at patterns and creating our own.

Understanding of the World

Children will be developing their understanding of the seaside and caring for the oceans. We will look at materials that float and sink and explore this practically. We will also look at the seaside in the past.

Physical Development

PE will continue to be on a Wednesday this term, please come to school in PE kits. We will be practising a variety of activities in preparation for Sports Day.

Expressive Arts

We will be using clay to make snakes, painting the ocean, making rainbow fish and some jellyfish. We will also sing with Piano Pete and getting ready for the Music Presentation.



Key Dates:

Thursday 18th June-Cotswold wildlife Trip

Tuesday 23rd June-Sports Day

Thursday 6th July-Music Presentation

Any questions please pop and chat to any of us, thank you.