

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be continuing with our popular reward system in nursery, children love to earn stars for great work, good adherence to nursery rules and trying their very best.

Children will be encouraged to be more independent in turn-taking and problem-solving with their peers, enabling them to build and maintain strong relationships.

## Understanding the World

Children will continue to learn about living things, focusing on plants and animals under the sea and looking at similarities and differences. They will be experimenting with water, sinking and floating and talking about why things happen. We will be using technology to explore under the sea and learn about the animals and plants that live there, we will even take a look around the Great Barrier Reef!

## Literacy

Children will add to their experience of books with a variety of under the sea themed stories and non-fiction books. They will be sequencing the new stories and will be consolidating their knowledge of rhyme and alliteration.

We will be continuing with the Letters and Sounds phonics program, consolidating previously learned sounds and moving on to set 3 sounds!

We will continue to update our fabulous writing area and will be taking our writing activities outdoors along with the (hopefully!) warmer weather.

## Communication and Language

Children will continue to develop their listening and attention skills by listening to a variety of under the sea themed stories. They will also listen to each other talk about their thoughts and experiences about marine life. Children will be thinking about the answers to 'how' and 'why' questions now as well as 'who', 'when' and 'where' questions.

# Nursery

## Summer 1

# Under the Sea



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## Physical Development

Children will be experimenting with different ways of travelling as we play games such as 'flap the fish' and 'board the boat'.

We will be practising throwing and catching with beanbag and ball games.

Children will be perfecting their pencil grip this term to help with early writing and also having plenty of practise in using tools such as scissors.

Children will continue to gain more independence in dressing and self-care.

## Expressive Arts and Design

Our topic this term will offer opportunities to explore, pattern, texture and colour. We will be creating our own underwater fantasy world with lots of the children's art to display.

Our role play will include an underwater discovery cave, a shipwreck, a beach and café!

Offering great opportunities for children to develop their imaginations.

Children will continue to enjoy using musical instruments to create sounds and explore how these sounds can be changed.

## Mathematics

Children will be refining their accuracy when counting. They will be counting objects to 10 and some will be counting beyond 10. Children will be continuing to recognise numerals and they will be encouraged to represent numbers in a variety of ways.

We will be continuing to develop children's use of positional language through day-to-day activities in nursery. Children will be exploring water and filling and emptying various containers, developing their understanding of concepts such as 'more', 'less' and 'the same'. Shape will feature heavily this term as we continue to provide children with lots of opportunity to talk about and explore 2D and some 3D shapes.