

Coastal Curiosities



Summer Term 2023

More about our topic...

This term in Year 1 and 2 we will be looking at coastal curiosities. This is an incredibly exciting topic, and we aim to make it a memorable one! We will be looking at understanding what a coastline is as well as focussing on different coasts and different coastal towns! We will be studying the different human and physical features of a coastline as well as comparing different beaches around the UK. We will also be looking at coastal erosion and how that is affecting the UK! Through cross-curricular learning we will partake in some exciting activities, and we are looking forward to this new adventure!

Pupils will extend their geographical knowledge and will be able to talk about the different features of a coastline as well as the different physical and human features. Our key book will be 'The BFG' by Roald Dahl which is a fantastic class book that the children will all enjoy.

Make sure you continue to keep an eye on our web pages to see the amazing learning taking place!



English

In English, we will be working on our written skills and our ability to write for different purposes through our topic. Some of the exciting writing opportunities this term includes examining and understanding Author study, Diaries, Instructions and Shape poetry.

Reading for pleasure and enjoyment will lie at the heart of our English curriculum. Children will be involved in guided reading, using a wide range of texts, linked to topic.



They will take part in group discussions and will be encouraged to share their own views and reading interests. Through discussion and questioning comprehension skills will be developed, enabling children to increase understanding and appreciation of literature. Children are actively encouraged to continue reading at home. Don't forget to use our wonderful local libraries – the books are free to borrow!

Opportunities within all areas of the curriculum will be made available for children to develop their spoken language through discussion, drama, and presentations.



Maths

Maths will be taught as an individual subject and will continue to adhere to the curriculum objectives. Teaching will enable children to become fluent in arithmetic as well as being able to reason and problem solve. Maths lessons will cover all aspects including, understanding number, using all four operations, measurement, geometry, and statistics. Pupils will be extended at every opportunity to ensure their potential as mathematicians is achieved. Next term we will be focussing on time, multiplication and division, fractions, and mass, capacity, and temperature.

Take home task to support work in school

To prepare for our new topic, it would be brilliant if the children could research and draw a picture of a coastline and a beach. Children can present their findings through a way of their choice. It could be a drawing, painting or a collage to give some ideas. If you want a challenge, get your child to label the parts of the coast. This will be a great help when we come to start our coastal curiosities topic in April!