

Possible ways of helping your child with their work this half term:

- Ensure that they complete any homework given.
- Visit the library to look at or borrow books connected with the work that your child is doing.
- Use the internet and visit some of the websites listed below to research information.
- Visit places of interest connected with the work that your child is doing.
- Allow your child to bring information into school to share with the rest of the class.

Useful Websites:

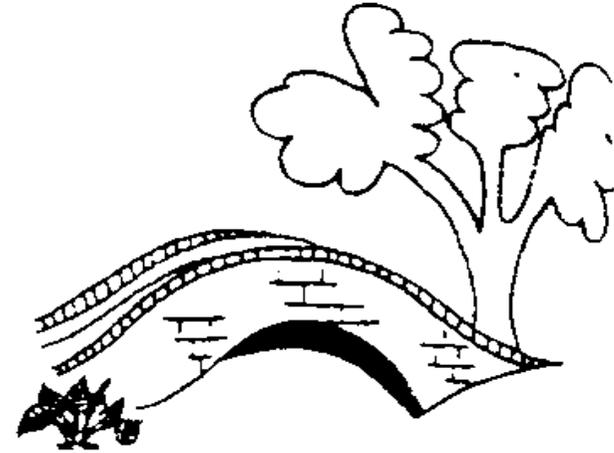
[KS1 Geography: Jobs and tourism in a seaside town - BBC Teach](#)

[What is a coastal habitat? - BBC Bitesize](#)

[How have holidays changed? - BBC Bitesize](#)

[Living things and their habitats - KS1 Science - BBC Bitesize](#)

Whixall C.E. Primary School and Nursery



Curriculum Information for Parents

Summer Term 2024

Mayfly Class

English

In our English lessons this term, we are linking our learning to some great books about 'living things' and the 'seaside'. During these lessons we will be developing our writing skills and learning how to apply the punctuation we have learned so far.

In addition to these lessons, we will have daily focused phonics, spelling and handwriting sessions. There will also be daily opportunities to read, both individually and as part of guided reading.

Mathematics

In our maths lessons, we will begin by revising two-digit numbers and learn some strategies for adding two sets of 2-digit numbers. We will then go on to focus on subtraction of 2-digit numbers from 2-digit numbers. Following this, we will focus on the meaning of division as grouping and sharing and then move on to look at how this relates to fractions. We will be continuing to revise and learn the facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Science: Our topic this term is entitled, 'Living Things and their Habitats'. It will provide a fantastic opportunity to learn outside and explore our school grounds, looking for living things and discovering the habitats and microhabitats that are found there. We will be using an investigative approach to find out why woodlice choose to live where they do and make our own wormery to find out about the importance worms play in the wider environment. In addition to these lessons, we will be continuing to find out about the changes that occur in our school grounds during the season of summer.

Humanities

Our geography topic this term is entitled 'Countryside to Coast', which is a study of two contrasting locations. It is an opportunity to find out about the physical and human features of our own locality and a coastal area in Wales. We will be learning about maps and aerial photographs and making our own maps. We will hopefully have an opportunity to visit a seaside location to find out about the features first hand and carry out fieldwork.

P.S.H.E. (Personal, Social and Health Education)

Our first unit of work will be 'Relationships' and this term focuses on friendship. We will be looking at how we can solve friendship problems. In the second half of term we will look at the 'Changing Me' unit and explore life cycles and how we can respond positively to changes we may experience in life.

P.E: This term we will be having two outdoor P.E sessions. The session on a Tuesday will be cricket with a visiting coach and the session on Friday will further develop the children's striking and fielding skills in games such as rounders. In the second half of the term we will be developing our athletics skills in readiness for Sports Day.

Art and Design This term's art work will be inspired by our topic and will look at the different ways artists have represented water using different media. The children will develop their colour mixing and will create their own water-based designs.

Design Technology

This term's DT will be linked to our science work and will ask the children to design a bug house/hotel for different types of insects.

Spanish: We will continue to receive fantastic support from Mrs Acs for our Spanish lessons throughout this term. The children in Year 2 will be continuing to develop their conversational skills, including introducing themselves in Spanish, saying the days and week, colours and animals' names as well as describing their families.

R.E: This 'Caring for Others' unit will investigate how we can be kind to each other and look after one another. Children will learn about kindness and the importance of caring for others, by exploring the values of different religions. This includes reading stories from different faiths and learning about religious festivals and practices.

Computing

This term's computing unit will be a media unit and will explore how we can use 'stop motion' to produce our own short animated film.

Music: We are very fortunate to have continued input from the Shropshire Music Service with Mrs Hawk. She will teach the children about the features of music, such as rhythm and melody and give the children many opportunities to play percussion instruments and learn new songs to sing.