

Literacy

We will be reading a variety of books including 'The Rainbow Fish' and 'Sharing a Shell'. As we will be learning about the life cycle of a butterfly, we will be reading 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.

We will be continuing to learn to write our name using a cursive style. Some children may be ready to learn how to form other letters too. We will be starting to learn our letter sounds using the school's approach to Phonics teaching 'Read, Write, Inc'. This will include learning to segment and blend sounds in words orally.

Mathematics

We will be counting regularly including in our daily circle time sessions when we count how many children are in our group. We will continue to develop our number skills through activities such as one-to-one correspondence when counting shells and adding the spots on one side of the ladybird to the spots on the other side (to 5).

We will be creating a repeating pattern caterpillar.

We will be learning about capacity when we fill up our sandcastle buckets, revising the language of full, half-full and empty.

Physical Development

As well as having access to the equipment in our Early Years garden to develop our physical skills we will talk about how exercise is good for our bodies and learn to ride a bike.

We will continue to develop our fine-motor control through the programme 'WriteDance in Nursery'. We will make paper-chain caterpillars, create a life cycle of a butterfly dance and we will cut and stick pictures of the lifecycle in the correct order.

Communication and Language

Grandma Fantastic will teach us new vocabulary such as limpet and periwinkle when we are identifying shells and tide when we talk about the sea.

We will focus on different tenses such as swim and swam.

Seaside in Summer



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be continuing our whole school approach to PSE called 'Jigsaw'. The focus this half term will be on 'Changing Me'.

We will be preparing the children for Reception and we will give the children opportunities to visit the Reception team.

Expressive Arts and Design

Exploring media and materials: We will be exploring colour when we make a symmetrical butterfly painting. We will be creating our own dances and singing songs such as 'When I was one'.

Being imaginative: We will be making our own 'Very Hungry Caterpillar' books, a telescope and creating an under the sea scene using a box (diorama). We will also have the opportunity to create a tea-stained pirate map.

Understanding the World

The world: We will be learning about the life cycle of a butterfly and we will have our own caterpillars in Nursery to observe and look after. We will also be talking about how reusable bottles are better than plastic bottles, when we talk about looking after the sea.

People and Communities: We will be learning about Tokyo when it is the Olympic Games and looking closely at our fingerprint using chalk on black paper when we talk about being unique in our 'The Rainbow Fish' week.

Technology: We will continue to develop our ICT skills. We will create a symmetrical butterfly using 2Paint on 'PurpleMash'.