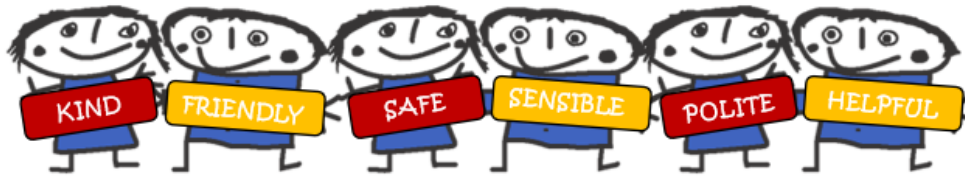




Rowena Academy

Curriculum Information



Year 1 - Spring Term 2022

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 1st February - Chinese New Year Festival Day	Thursday 3rd March - World Book Day
Tuesday 8th February - Safer Internet Day	Friday 18th March - Comic Relief
Friday 11th February – School Closes	Friday 1st April - School Closes
Monday 21st February - Training Day	Tuesday 19th April - Training Day
Tuesday 22nd February - School Reopens	Wednesday 20th April - School Reopens

Topics for this year

- Wonderful Me!
- Commotion in the Ocean!
- Bright Lights, Big Cities!

Topic for this term

- Commotion in the ocean!
- This term we will be exploring the ocean through our art, English and topic work. We will be learning about the importance of caring for our environment and oceans, as well as learning about ocean habitats and who lives there.

Areas of learning

Mathematics

In Mathematics we will be working on each of the following areas:

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| • Measure: Time | • Number: Multiplication and Division |
| • Number: Place Value | • Number: Fractions |
| • Number: Addition and Subtraction | • Geometry: Position and Direction |
| • Measure: Length and Height | |

English

This term in English we will be learning about the following types of text:

- Poetry inspired by the book 'Commotion in the Ocean' by Giles Andreae.
- Non-fiction based around the 'Wild Tribe Heroes' series and the adventures of Duffy, Marli and Nelson to save our planet.
- Fantasy and pirate stories.

We will also be working on high frequency words and Spelling Challenge certificates.

Reading Detectives

This term we will be investigating the book 'The Tin Forest' by Helen Ward.

Phonics

This term we will be learning all of the phase 5 alternate pronunciations for the graphemes we already know. We will also be reading words containing blends at the beginning and the end of the words, as well as consolidating our phase 3 and 5 knowledge.

Science

In our science lessons we will be identifying and naming common animals including herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. We will be categorising them into groups of fish, amphibians, reptiles, mammals and birds. We will also be describing and comparing the structure of common animals. In addition we will be finding out about animals in their local environments.

As part of our topic lessons we will also explore ocean habitats.

Computing

We will be completing the following Purple Mash units:

- 'Lego builders' - with an emphasis on following instructions.
- 'Maze Explorers' - to understand the functionality of the basic direction keys and create a simple set of instructions (algorithms).

We will also be using 2paint to create some under the sea art work.

In addition we will be learning how to use the internet safely during 'Safer Internet Day'.

Cross-curricular themes

During Art and Design we will be exploring the work of the Argentinian artist Carlos Hiller who is well known for his underwater scenes followed by a Recycled Art project inspired by saving our oceans.

Through our topic work we will also be looking at how to use Maps and Globes to pinpoint the 5 oceans and trace the River Don from its source to the sea. We also compare human and physical features of the UK coastlines and their seaside locations.

In History we will be looking at Victorian seaside holidays and traditional Punch and Judy puppet shows.

This term in R.E. we will be continuing our learning about the religion of Christianity including 'who are Christians and what do they believe?'

We will also hold special weeks to celebrate the seasons of Winter and Spring.

The children will also be celebrating the festivals of Chinese New Year and Easter.

Have fun together at home...

- Continue to research sea creatures and their habitats.
- Read stories that will encourage children to write their own ocean explorer adventure.
- Follow us on Twitter @DeltaRowenaAc to keep up to date with all the exciting events and news from our Academy.

Please continue to support your child at home by:

- Ensuring your child brings their book bag to school daily and enjoys reading with you at home with their reading book or on bug club. www.activelearnprimary.co.uk.
- Completing homework tasks online on Seesaw.
- Practising letter recognition and formation.
- Practising reading high frequency words.
- Practising Spelling Challenge.
- Practising Number recognition and formation.
- Practising Number word reading and spelling.
- Using Phonics and Grammar Bug at www.activelearnprimary.co.uk.
- Using Purple Mash.

We will be taking part in our Daily Mile challenge so please remember to send water bottles and coats every day.



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