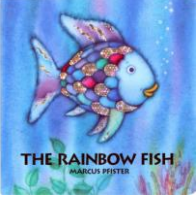




Inspiration/Theme:

Children in the Foundation Stage learn best and most effectively when they are given the opportunity to explore, investigate and learn about things that interest them. At The Mead School we give children the freedom to follow their own lines of enquiry by planning a skills based curriculum, based around a theme. This term our focus will be on the core texts and the themes of learning will evolve as the children show us their particular interests.

Core texts/artefact/film	Provocation -Inspire, Immerse	Role-play	Investigation Station
 	<p>Super Starter Find plastic waste in the water tray and a recycling station. Introduce the children to the importance of recycling and a clean ocean.</p> <p>Marvellous Middle Beach day, including visiting a fish and chip shop and an ice cream van.</p> <p>Fabulous Finish Bees and Butterflies graduation.</p>	<p>We will have a beach café/recycling station/ Fish and chip shop. The children will help to make props such as salt dough chips! The children will continue to have access to a home corner props.</p> <p>Key questions What can you see, how can you keep the ice cream cold? What do you think will happen if...? How do you know...?</p> <p>Key vocabulary Sea, shell, fish, underwater, coral, anemone, crab, sea creatures</p>	<p>We will be investigating materials and their different properties. We will be learning about the importance of recycling and exploring reduce/reuse/recycle.</p> 

Literacy	Mathematics	Communication and Language
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<p>Outcome of learning: We will continue to build on the skills the children have learnt in Term 5. Children will be writing phonetically plausible sentences. Children will be writing their own underwater story.</p> <p>Key Skills: Children will learn to: Segment to spell, remembering to use finger spaces, capital letters and full stops.</p> <p>Phonics (Read, Write, Inc) The children are in groups, consolidating sounds, word building and writing letters and short words. They are starting to read simple sentences and stories.</p> <p>Key Skills: Children will learn to: Hear and say sounds in words. Begin to read simple words. Use some clearly identifiable words and letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence.</p>	<p>Outcome of learning: We will continue to build on the skills the children have learnt in term 5. We will develop our counting to 20 and consolidate our numbers to 10. We will also begin to count in 5's and 2's and identify odd and even numbers.</p> <p>Key Skills: Children will learn to: Counting in 5s to 20. Counting in 2s- patterns of odd and even numbers. Counting to 20 and beyond and extend across boundaries (29-30, 39- 40). Begin to recognise odd and even numbers to 10.</p>	<p>Outcome of learning: This term our focus will be on listening and attention. We will be working on maintaining attention and focus during appropriate activities. We will be having lots of circle times and discussions around transitions and preparing the children to begin their journey in year 1.</p> <p>Key Skills: Children will learn to: Expectations for transition Maintains attention and sits quietly during an appropriate activity</p>
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Understanding of the world	Physical development	Expressive arts/design	Personal, social and emotional development
<p>Outcome of Learning: We will be looking at what we can find under the sea and the difference in environment. We will look at maps to explore different seas and oceans around the world. We will also continue with forest school in the school grounds.</p> <p>Key Skills: Children will learn to: Look closely and make careful observations about patterns and change. Talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects. Comment and ask questions about the natural world or the place they live. Show care and concern for living things and the environment. Able to talk about the environment under the sea and compare it to their immediate environment. Work collaboratively within a small group.</p>	<p>Outcome of Learning: This term we will be experimenting with different ways of moving, particularly focusing on practicing skills for sports day. We will also be developing our cursive handwriting style refining letter formation.</p> <p>Key Skills: Children will learn to: Show good control and co-ordination in large and small movements. Move confidently in a range of ways, safely negotiating space. Handle equipment and tools effectively, including pencils for writing. Begin to show an understanding of what happens to our bodies when we exercise and to know why we need to exercise.</p>	<p>Outcome of Learning: We will be developing the skills of model making by creating a sculpture using recyclable materials.</p> <p>Key Skills: Children will learn to: Construct with a purpose for a planned outcome.</p>	<p>Outcome of Learning: This term we will be working on developing our positive mindset. We will talk about our achievements, what we are proud of and our strengths. We will have ample opportunities for circle times and discussions to support the children's transition to Year 1.</p> <p>Key skills Children will learn to: Talk about self in positive terms. Be confident to try new activities. Form positive relationships with adults and children. Confident to share their ideas during small group and whole class discussions.</p>
Playing and exploring- engagement		Active learning-Motivation	Creating and thinking critically
<p>Positive Relationships The adults will: Explore, discuss and discover with the children new growth in their environment. We will encourage the children to explore their surroundings and talk about their observations.</p> <p>Enabling Environment Adults will provide: A stimulating classroom with lots of role play opportunities to act out and represent their familiar experiences. Outside we will provide opportunities for the children to explore the natural environment as well as adding extra resource as provocations and to extend their learning.</p>	<p>Positive Relationships The adults will: Help children to talk about themselves in positive terms and recognise their own abilities. This will be done through our natural interactions with children and also through our circle times.</p> <p>Enabling Environment Adults will provide: An environment that allows children the opportunities to have time and freedom to become deeply involved in activities and supports the children's natural interests shown in their play.</p>	<p>Positive Relationships The adults will: Always respect the children's efforts and ideas, so they feel safe to take a risk with a new idea. Encourage critical thinking and scaffold where appropriate. Ask open ended questions such as "tell me how you found that out?" to support and extend the children's learning.</p> <p>Enabling Environment Adults will provide: A learning community which focuses on how, and what, we are learning. Opportunities to solve problems in the indoor and outdoor learning spaces.</p>	
<p>Home School Learning Weekly Home Learning: Children will have reading books sent home on weekly basis and we encourage children to read and be read to daily.</p>			