

P.E. Challenge

Complete the following circuit, challenge yourself by doing it everyday:

- 10 star jumps
- Throw a ball or bean bag and catch it 5 times.

Our topic learning will cover these subject this half term: Science, Design and Technology and Art and Design.

Our topic this half term is Land Ahoy! We will be learning all about famous explorers, a pirates life and treasure maps. We will also be learning lots about boats.

Optional Project Ideas

- Search the internet or a non fiction book to find out and create a fact file about a famous boat or ship.
- Design and make a pirate ship using a variety of materials.
- Make a pirate treasure chest using a lidded box or other recycled materials. What will you keep in your treasure chest?
- Create a World Map showing the different continents and surrounding oceans.

Spelling (KS2) Phonics (KS1)

We will be focusing on the following this half term. Please support your children with learning to read, understand and spell each word. These words are important in supporting your child with achieving age related expectations for their year group. We check if children spell these words in context and also during assessment weeks.

Practise saying these sounds and have a go at writing some words with the same sound.



Rule based spellings	Word list	Topic Vocabulary
Spelling rule: 'dge', 'ge' and 'g' makes the /j/ sound:	poor	pirate
badge	door	
edge	floor	compass
dodge	would	
bridge	could	country
fudge	would	
age	climb	transport
huge	child	
change	wild	treasure
charge	hold	
village	cold	
gem	gold	
energy	told	
magic		

Reading

Remember, reading aloud and being read to is important and at any age and any stage!
Books you might enjoy this half term:

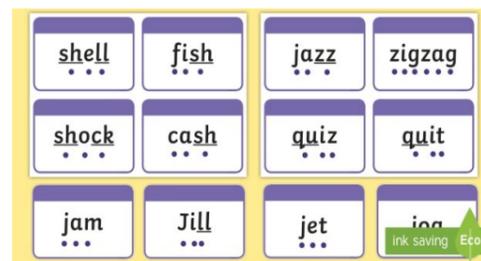
Any books linked to Land Ahoy and the life of pirates. Some of the books we will be looking at this half term.

Fiction

The Night Pirates—Peter Harris and Deborah Allwright

The Pirates Next Door— Jonny Duddle

At school your child will be familiar with using sound buttons to help them to read words. A sound button is used to show where a letter or group of letters make a sound.



Top Tips for Reading at Home

Read for at least 10 minutes every day, each time you read to an adult you will earn house points.



Read out loud and put expression into what is read.

Discuss what is happening. Can your children summarise what has happened, pick out the important events or read between the lines to tell you something that is implied about a character?

Discuss vocabulary and language. Does your child understand what a word means? Can they put it in their own sentence? Can they think of similar or opposite words.

Make reading together an enjoyable time. As well as reading books from school, your child might enjoy reading magazines, children's newspapers, journals, sports biographies or children's annuals.

Maths

Times Table Rock Stars!

This is another fun online resource which will support your child with learning their times tables through games and competitions with their peers. They will have an opportunity to use it in school once a week but we recommend they access it at home for extra support.

Maths challenges!

- Use your toys to count forwards and backwards.
- Challenge them to see how many coloured cars they can see on the way to school. You could start with 50 and count backwards. Can you get to zero?



Useful websites

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers>