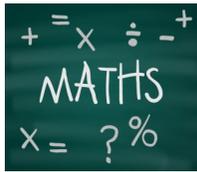


## General comment

We are all very excited to welcome the children back to school. They have already had a great week settling back in to daily school life. This term we are focusing on the children's basic skills which include letter formation, number formation and using the sounds that we know to Thursday and should be returned to school the following Tuesday.



As mathematicians this half term, we are focusing on place value and counting to 10. The children will be learning how many tens and ones are in a number and representing this in different ways.

We will also be looking at addition and subtraction and how we solve problems practically using objects.



## English

As readers and writers we are looking at "Commotion in the Ocean" with a focus on writing lists, captions and labels. We will also be focusing on forming our letters correctly and looking at how to structure sentences too.

We will then look at the book 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley'. We will write some facts on how to keep the sea clean and why we think it is important to look after the sea and the seaside.

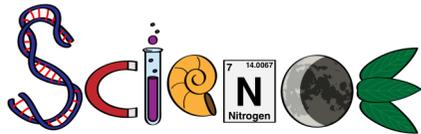
## Attendance

In school we are aiming for a 96% class attendance so it is really important that the children attend each day and arrive promptly.

If your child is unable to attend school then it is important that you ring the school before 9am to inform us of the absence.



# Year 1



This half term in Science we are learning about materials. We will look at what different objects are made of and grouping them together with similar objects. We will learn about the properties of materials and test different materials for a range of purposes.

We will be making predictions when conducting experiments and the children will all talk about and share their ideas for our conclusions.

## Topic

Our unit of study for this half term is 'Under the Sea and the seaside'. We will be naming a range of sea creatures and looking at different types of fish. In Geography will be locating and naming the different continents and oceans. In history, we will be learning about the history of the seaside

In Art we will be looking at Katsushika Hokusai and DT lessons on making things including learning skills to prepare foods safely. The children will explore how to mix colours. We will also be using recycled materials to create art work.



In IT we are focusing on how to keep safe when using the internet and how to use simple programmes on the chrome books.

## Staff

### Sparrows

Class Teacher;  
Mr J Downing  
Support Staff;  
Mrs Watson

### Chiffchaffs

Class Teacher;  
Miss A Bannon  
Support Staff; Mrs  
Balance

P.E day;  
Wednesday

