Meet the Year Group Team		
Head of Year	Class Teachers	PTP Support
Mrs L Cook	Mrs L Cook/ Miss S Wheble	Miss C Lee
	Miss S Gill	Mrs Brooks

Spring Term 1

In Reception, our topics and contexts change regularly as we are guided by the interests of the children. This half term, the children voted for the topic they are most interested in. The topic voted will be 'Tales of the Sea'. The children will explore their interests in pirates, mythical mermaids and sea creatures and use this as a stimulus for learning in all areas of development.

	Communication and Language	
	We will be learning to:	
	 Listen in a group, to other children and to teachers. 	
	 Maintain attention and sit quietly during appropriate times. 	
	Follow instructions involving two or more parts accurately.	
	Listen and respond to ideas expressed by others.	
	• Explain our ideas in regards to stories or conversations using extending language.	
	Literacy: Reading	
	We will be learning to:	
	 Recognise some letters and say the sound they make 	
	 Blend VC and CVC sounds to read words 	
	 To read taught tricky words 	
	 To use sound buttons to read phase 2 and some phase 3 sounds in words 	
English	 To read simple sentences aloud 	
	 Retell a familiar story and identify the beginning, middle and end of the story 	
	 Answer questions about a familiar text 	
	• To follow the words in a book with their finger when they or others are reading	
	Literacy: Writing	
	We will be learning to:	
	To write the correct letter to represent a sound	
	◆ To apply Phase 2 and Phase 3 sounds in our writing	
	 To spell some tricky words from memory but know we can use a word bank for words we are unsure of 	
	 T use finger spaces to separate our words in a sentence 	
	 To identify when my sentence is finished and use a full stop to show this 	
	To begin to write for different purposes	
	We will be learning to:	
	Book to the state of the state	
	Recognise written numerals beyond 10	
Maths	• Compare groups of objects using the language of more, less, fewer and the same.	
	• Say the number that is 1 more and 1 less than a given number	
	Add 2 numbers by counting objects.	
	Recognise, name and describe 2D shapes	
	 Compare the height, length and weight of different objects 	

	• To begin to solve simple problems
	● To begin to use a rage of resources to help solve problems
	Understanding the World
Science	 To talk about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things To make observations of animals and plants and why changes occur
Geography/History	To talk about features of our own environment and how they can be different from others
Computing	 To complete a simple programme on a computer Recognise a range of technology that can be used at home and in schools
	Expressive Arts and Design
Art	 We will practise: mixing different colours, painting for a purpose, painting recognisable shapes, adding detail to our paintings We will explore malleable materials including clay and salt dough, learning how to use our hands and our tools to create different effects We will learn to use a variety of materials to create models, exploring different ways to join them together We will explore a variety of musical instruments and learn to sing some simple songs We will have fun changing words to known songs to make different songs.
DT	 To select tools and techniques to mould, join and assemble materials Selects and uses simple tools appropriately
	PSED
PSHE	 Belonging: We will be thinking about ways to keep ourselves safe in school and thinking of ways to be kind to others. Enjoying: We will be learning about how to be a good friend by inviting others to join in our games and sharing. Trying: We will be learning to try new challenges and thinking of ways to help ourselves if we get stuck
	Succeeding: We will be learning to say what we are good at and think of things we would like to get better at. We will be learning to make good choices about how to use our learning time
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	Physical Development We do Physical Education sessions twice a week.	
PE	 We do activities to strengthen the fingers, dough gym and fine motor activities every day to help improve our fine motor skills We have access to a variety of equipment in our Reception playground to help strengthen our muscles and improve our spatial awareness, including: wheeled vehicles and crates and bricks We enjoy a range of Yoga Activities to develop our breathing, core strength and focus. 	
Year R PE days are:	Thursday and Friday	
Homework Routines	Daily reading for 5 minutes To practice sounds and tricky words	