

Year 2

Newsletter Term 6



English - This term we will be using the story 'The bear and the Piano' and 'The dancing Bear' to enhance reading and writing skills. The children will be focussing again on stamina and maintaining a piece of writing. This will include using all of the skills we have taught. We will be furthering our skills on how to edit and make simple revisions to ensure we are making the most out of our writing. Handwriting and spelling remain a big focus as we draw towards the end of the year.

Maths - This half term, we are going to be consolidating our knowledge of the four operations and applying these skills into investigations and problem solving. We will be revisiting learning and securing our knowledge of shape, money, measure and time. This ensures the children have the best foundations for learning to take with them into Year 3!



Topic – Oceans and Under the Sea.

Earlier in the year, we discovered the different continents on our planet and named the five oceans. This term we will be diving into the oceans and learning about the different marine life and fun facts such as which is the deepest, warmest and the largest. Ask the children to share the fun songs that they know!

What else are we learning?



We will be continuing to implement the key values we hold here at Larkhill with the children as this is having a positive effect on the children so far. This will be through our weekly Jigsaw lessons. We will also be looking at the topic 'Changing Me' – a letter regarding this topic has already been emailed so please read it as it contains important information regarding sensitive content.

In computing, we will be programming quizzes using the ipad software, learning how to build algorithms and debug when there is a problem that needs fixing.

What do we need to remember?

Reading books will be linked to your child's individual reading ability. These will be changed on a rota once they have been read. Children can also bring home a reading for pleasure book for you to read with them or to them. Please ensure that reading books are in school **EVERYDAY**.

P.E is on a **Tuesday** and outdoor learning will be on a **Wednesday** this term with so please ensure children are wearing kit on those days to reflect the everchanging weather. It is important that for forest school they are wearing a long sleeve top and trousers – they can change into these if the weather is warm.

Under The Sea: Where are the oceans of the world and what are they like?

Key Vocabulary

Continent	A large mass of land
Country	A nation with its own government
Ocean	A huge amount of salt water
Sea	An area of salt water smaller than an ocean
Equator	The invisible line that goes around the middle of Earth
North Pole	The furthest point in the north of the globe
Pollution	To damage land or sea by putting harmful materials in or on it.
Threat	A danger
Damage	To destroy or break
Habitat	Where a species <u>lives</u>
Ecosystem	The word used to describe an area and a species working together
Depth	How deep something is
Sunlight Zone	The top layer of the ocean
Twilight Zone	The second layer of the ocean
Midnight zone	The layer of ocean beneath the twilight zone
Abyss	The <u>pitch black</u> layer of the ocean
Trench	The deepest layer of the ocean
Bioluminescent	When living things give out light

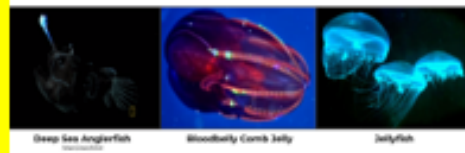


- The world is made up of 7 continents and 5 oceans. The 5 oceans are;
- The Atlantic
- The Pacific
- The Indian Ocean
- The Southern Ocean
- The Mediterranean

The oceans of the world in order of size:



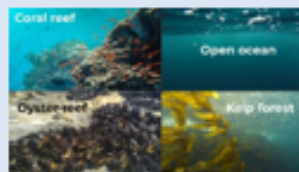
Animals which make their own light use bioluminescence!



The ocean has different layers



Ocean Habitats



What does the ocean give us?



North Pole sea creatures



Equator Sea creatures

