

## Rye Community Primary School

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## Welcome to our Year 1 and Year 2 classes!

Welcome back to a new and exciting academic year! We hope that you enjoyed a summer holiday filled with fun but were able to have some well deserved rest and relaxation too! We are so excited to have the children back in school and are looking forward to the year ahead. Our topic for Term 1 is 'X Marks the Spot.'

## **English**

This term we will be writing to entertain, our core text for this is 'Grandad's Island' by Benji Davies. Not only are we going to write adventure stories but we'll also be writing to inform through studying non-fiction texts. This will provide us with lots of opportunities to find out facts about Pirates and Smugglers.

#### How You Can Help

Please read with your child every day and talk to them about what they are reading. Ask them questions about the story, characters and plot. Can they predict what will happen next?

Look at information texts with your child and look at the glossary and contents page to find out where you could locate more information.

Our focus this term is on punctuation and how we can use it in our writing.

Please encourage your child to form their letters correctly when they are writing at home. Further information about this will be sent home soon, but if you are unsure about this please come and ask us.

#### **Maths**

In Maths this term we will learn about Number and Place Value, the children will consolidate their understanding of single digit (ones) and two digit (tens) numbers before moving on to calculation. We will focus on using addition and subtraction.

#### How You Can Help

Practise counting up and back to 100, counting on in ones or tens. If you are confident with this, try counting up in 2's, 3's and 5's. You could also practise counting backwards as well.

It would also be helpful to help your child practise the days of the week and months of the year in order, as well as being able to work out what the next day or day before is (e.g. What is the day after Thursday? What is the month called before June?

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## **Topic:**

We have already begun this term's topic, 'X Marks the Spot'. As Rye is a coastal town we thought it would be the perfect topic to kick our learning off this year. We'll be studying the different seas, oceans and continents from around the world and learning which countries are part of the U.K. and Europe. We will learn what human and physical features are and compare locations from the U.K. and around the world. We will also take opportunities to learn about smugglers and pirates who have sailed the seas and terrified the land!

## PE

Clownfish - Wednesday afternoon (Outdoor) and Friday morning (Indoor) Clownfish are lucky enough to have our P.E. specialist Mr Mende team teaching them this term.

Clownfish also have Forest School this term on a Thursday which you have received a separate information leaflet about.

Seahorses – Wednesday morning (Outdoor) and Friday afternoon (Indoor)

Sea Turtles - Wednesday morning (Indoor) and Thursday afternoon (Outdoor)

Children are expected to wear a white t-shirt, navy/black shorts and either plimsolls or trainers (Indoor kit) and navy/black tracksuit bottoms/leggings and navy/black tracksuit jumper/hoodie for the Autums/Winter months (Outdoor kit). Further details of school uniform can be found on the school website: <a href="https://ryeprimary.co.uk/school/Uniform">https://ryeprimary.co.uk/school/Uniform</a>

All PE kit and uniform should be named (especially coats and jumpers) so they can be returned easily if they get found.

## **Water Bottles and snacks**

A hydrated brain is essential to learning! Please ensure that your child brings in a named water bottle. All key-stage one children are offered a healthy snack each day. They can also bring in their own <u>healthy snack</u> to have in snack time. It is really helpful if water bottles and fruit-tubs are named so they can be returned if they get lost.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries. The easiest way to do so is by leaving a message on ClassDojo or with the school office. We will reply as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Haddock, Miss Birkby and Miss Brewster Clownfish, Seahorses, and Sea Turtles Class Teachers

Further information about our classes and learning can be found on our class webpages.



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# Pirates Book List



## Suggested Books

## Pirates Love Underpants

by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort

## Port Side Pirates!

by Oscar Seaworthy and Debbie Harter

#### Ten Little Pirates

by Mike Brownlow and Simon Rickerty

## Pirate Ships (See Inside)

by Rob Lloyd Jones

#### The Pirate Cruncher

by Jonny Duddle

## The Night Pirates

by Peter Harris and Deborah Allwright

## My Granny Is a Pirate

by Val McDermid and Arthur Robins

## Pirate Post: A Swashbuckling Tale with Real Mail

by Ladybird

## Sir Charlie Stinky Socks: The Pirate's Curse

by Kristina Stephenson

## Yo Ho Ho! A-Pirating We'll Go

by Kaye Umansky and Nick Sharratt

## Pirate Pete

by Nick Sharratt

#### Mrs Pirate

by Nick Sharratt

## Captain Flinn and the Pirate Dinosaurs

by Giles Andreae and Russell Ayto

#### What Pirates Really Do

by Melanie Joyce and Alex Paterson

## Goodnight Pirate

by Michelle Robinson and Nick East

## Captain Jack and the Pirates

by Peter Bently and Helen Oxenbury

## Plunge into the Pirate Pool

by Caryl Hart and Ed Eaves

## Giant Jelly Jaws and the Pirates

by Helen Baugh and Ben Mantle

## Do Pirates Take Baths?

by Kathy Tucker

## Pirates Go to School

by Corrine Demas



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