

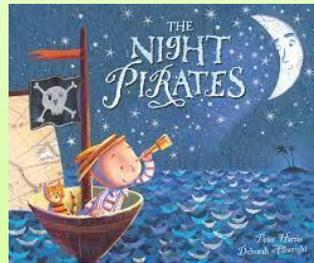
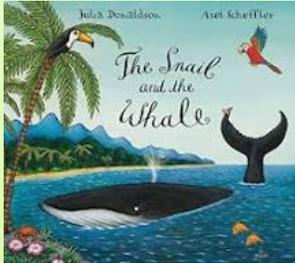


## Reception

### What is my child learning this half term?

#### Literacy

We will be enjoying different stories based around our 'Adventures' topic this half term. Stories this half term include Tiddler, Whatever Next!, Night Pirates, Snail and the Whale, and poetry such as Commotion in the Ocean. We will be using these books as inspiration to learn new vocabulary and tell our own stories. Can you make up a pirate story with your child at home?



#### Maths

The children will be continuing to use the Numicon scheme to solve mathematical problems such as doubling, halving and sharing. The children will have practical problems to solve which include addition and subtraction. Some children will be learning to count in 2's, 5's and 10's. In shape, space and measure, we will be investigating measuring in the water area and money and coins in practical situations, for example, paying for ice creams.

#### Phonics

This half term children will be continuing to revise and learn new letter sounds. We will be developing fluency in reading and learning new vocabulary. The children will also be writing sounds and simple words. Some children will be writing simple sentences.

#### Topic

Our topic this half term is 'Adventures'. During topic time we will be looking at and designing our own under the sea creatures, learning about different habitats, and looking at shapes and patterns of different fish to see how they are the same and different. We will be thinking about our world by looking at coral reefs and how we care for our world. We will also be learning about space and the different planets in our solar system. You might like to look at google Earth with your child and see what our planet looks like from space.

## I.C.T

The children will be learning about different technologies we have in the home, what they are used for and how do they work e.g. a kettle. Could you look around your house and find all the items that need a plug?



## Key Vocabulary

These are the words that we will use learning this half term. We will be using them in sentences and making up our own adventure stories. Please encourage your child to use these words at home.

Space Vocabulary: Planets, stars, rocket, space station, astronaut, earth, sun, moon Saturn, Jupitar, Venus, satellite Neptune, mars

Under the Sea Vocabulary: ocean, wave rock pool, octopus, shark, turtle, whale, fish, crab, diver, tide, coral, lobster, submarine

Pirate Vocabulary: pirate ship, treasure, Jolly Roger

## RE

We will be discussing places that are special for us e.g. our bedroom, our friend's house or a trip somewhere. We will then learn about places of worship that are special to people of different faiths. If you ever attend a place of worship, or pass one on your journeys, please talk about this with your child and discuss what you do while you are there.

## PE

The children will continue to practise their balls skills. Last half term we practiced our throwing and catching skills, and this will extend to practising different balls skills. The children will use different balls to throw and catch and also use their feet. We will then extend this to improving our skills at throwing and kicking a ball to a partner. Perhaps practice throwing or catching in the park.



*Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. We hope you will find the information helpful.*

*If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to the Reception Team*

*If you have any comments or suggestions for future newsletters, please let us know.*

*Thanks again.*