

CLASS 7 Autumn Term 2024

During the Autumn Term our topic will be 'Just because we can, does that mean we should?' Throughout the topic we will study coastlines and pollution. We will be exploring why it is important to look after our coastline and begin to understand the importance of reusing, recycling and reducing waste. We will be finding out about sea creatures and their habitats. The children will foster an understanding of sustainability and looking after the sea and marine life. We will also be looking at the role of the RNLI.

BIG MATHS

Year 2: Our weekly Big Maths tests will take place every **Friday**. On **Monday** any errors identified in the tests will be sent home in a **purple folder** with homework and Learn Its. Please support your child with any homework to ensure they fill in any gaps in their understanding. Purple folders need to be returned **every Friday** with completed homework. This Term, **Year 1** will not be completing the Big Maths written tests until the Summer Term.



Suggested ways in which you can support literacy and numeracy:

Literacy We use Monster Phonics to help us learn to read and spell words. Please help your child to listen to the sounds in words and then write words accurately. Remember the importance of capital letters for the beginning of their names. Encourage your child to listen to and retell familiar stories and encourage them to write about them.

Maths: Year 2: 10, 2 and 5 times tables, counting to 100. Practise addition and subtraction. Identify 2d and 3d shapes.

Year 1: Number bonds to 10, counting to and 20 and back down to 0. Practise addition and subtraction. Identify 2d and 3d shapes.

Numberblocks and counting/times tables songs will help support your child in learning these key number facts.

READING & SPELLING

Your child will have a **selected day** to return their reading book each week. Please use the yellow reading diary to communicate with your child's teacher and record pages read in the book. Question your child on what they are reading to ensure comprehension skills are being developed. It really does make a difference! A spelling test of HFW or Tricky words (depending on the stage of learning of your child) will take place weekly.

Year 1 and Year 2 will take home their spelling words in the purple folder every Monday. Please return on a Friday.

OTHER INFORMATION

Fruit snack and a water bottle can be brought in every day. Please can these be clearly labelled.

P.E sessions will take place on:

Class 7: Wednesday

Please can your child bring into school their PE Kit (white t-shirt, black leggings or black shorts).

This term we will be developing our gymnastics skills.

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OTHER INFORMATION

Schoop is used as a method of communication. We would really appreciate you signing up to the Schoop app (**Schoop ID: 9740**) to receive notifications and messages. Additionally, follow our school twitter account **@MaesybrynP** which regularly shares and celebrates children's achievements, successes, and school updates. Please ensure your child is able to log-in to the ICT platform **Seesaw**.

Mathematics and Numeracy

Collect items such as leaves, shells etc. Can you sort them into groups? Can you count them?

Practise making patterns of colours and shapes.

Can you spot any 3d shapes in the environment or in your home?

Play lots of games to help you with your numbers

Useful websites:

Bbc bitesize

Topmarks

SEESAW - Remember you can use Seesaw to upload photos and activities.

Health and Wellbeing!

Take a lovely walk or trip to the beach. Make the most of a beautiful sunny day.

Discuss feelings of excitement, anger, happiness, sadness etc. How do you feel today?

Try and think about all the things you do that make you feel happy.

Literacy

There are lots of lovely books about the sea and the seaside for you to share. I am sure the children would love to find out information about their favourite sea creature. Use the internet and information books to gather and sort information.

Here are some ideas to help your child engage in our new topic.



Here is to another busy and exciting term!
Thank you for all your support. Diolch yn fawr!
Mrs Jones and Mrs Danie.

Compulsory SeeSaw Pupil Voice Task to be completed by 27th September 2024. Details of the task can be found on your child's Seesaw page.

Expressive Arts

Create jellyfish using paper plates and crepe paper.

Create a shoebox under the ocean scene.

Listen to the sounds of the seaside.

Compare them to the sounds you might hear at the farm or at the zoo.

Learn and sing some songs about the seaside or the sea.

Science and Technology

Take a lovely walk or trip to the beach. What can you see/hear/smell? Identify and use your senses.

Talk about previous visits to the seaside.

What can they remember about physical features of the coast?

Investigate the differences between rocks, sand and shells.

Humanities

How can we make a difference to our environment? What can we do to improve where we live? Take a walk around our locality and take photos of some of the things that are there to help keep our area clean. What could we do to help? Compare our locality to the coast.