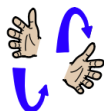


Core signs for our topic this term.



Our topic this term is 'Under the Sea', here are some related signs for you to practice.

Sea



Wet



Fish



Shark



Deep



Don't forget to say the words as you sign!



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Chestnut Class Key stage 2 Information for parents Term 4

Regular events:



PE Enrichment will be every Tuesday afternoon and we will be visiting Larkin Farm.

Swimming will be on Mondays. Please send in swim kits and swim pads!

PE will be every Wednesday morning.

'Under the Sea'

General Information:

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed the half term break. We are Looking forward to completing lots of activities linked to our new topic 'Under the Sea'

Homework and contact:

We are working on increasing our independence—please encourage small moments of independence where possible e.g. opening food packaging, putting on shoes and coats.

The Home/School Journals are in place for us both to write in so we can keep each other up to date about your children.

If you have any questions please contact the school office or speak to one of the team when dropping off or picking up.

Ideas for home:

- Visit a pet shop to look at the different fish and take photos to talk about what you saw later.
- Lots of water play exploring containers of different sizes and floating and sinking.
- Share books about fish that you might have at home or visit a library.
- Visit the local swimming pool and swim like fish.

<p>Foundations for Literacy</p> <p>During our Literacy focus sessions we will listen to lots of appropriate stories about Under the Sea including 'Pop-up Peekaboo! Under the Sea'. We will explore mark making in many different forms such as when using paint, crayons, flour and foam. We will use lots of visuals to help us communicate and think about what we have seen and heard.</p>	<p>Foundations for Maths:</p> <p>During our Maths focus sessions we will be exploring maths concepts including number, identifying one more/one less and developing our concept of time. We will do this through a range of themed activities and structured daily routines such as snack and lunchtimes.</p>	<p>Understanding the world</p> <p>This Term we will be exploring Under the Sea. We will identify simple properties of sea creatures. We will explore mixing things in water such as food colouring to get different colours and will be investigating objects that float or sink.</p>	<p>Fine Motor Skills</p> <p>Chestnut Class will have lots of opportunities this term to develop our fine motor skills and will develop hand eye coordination to catch sea creatures using nets in water.</p> <p>We will work on our individual fine motor targets set by the OT</p>
<p>Art/Design</p> <p>We will be exploring Art by using different materials to collage different sea creatures. We will be requesting the colours we would like to use and the materials using a total communication approach.</p>	<p>Fun With Foods</p> <p>Foods can cause anxieties for pupil with ASD. Chestnut Class will be following the 'Fun with Food' programme to help develop your child's tolerance of different smells and textures.</p> <p>This Term we will be continuing to work on moist and slimy foods trying to introduce some fruits and vegetables.</p>	<p>Therapies</p> <p>Chestnut Class will be accessing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleverfingers • Fun with food • Gong Therapy • Therapeutic Music • Brushing • Compressions • Sensory Circuits • SLIC support • OT support <p>As required Following observations and Assessments by our therapists</p>	<p>PSHE (Personal, social and health education) and RSE</p> <p>This term Chestnut Class will be learning about taking turns with our friends with the help of our adults. We will co-explore activities and toys with support from adults and improve our awareness of each other.</p>
<p>Physical Education:</p> <p>PE will be on Wednesday mornings this term.</p> <p>Swimming will be on Mondays. Our focus will be water confidence, developing independence in the pool and floating safely on our backs like a starfish and putting our faces in the water.</p>	<p>Communication/Language</p> <p>Personalised Speech and Language targets will be created to enable early communication. These include initiation, nursery rhymes, Curiosity Programme, EHCP targets, 1-1 interventions, and Intensive Interaction.</p>	<p>PE Enrichment</p> <p>Pupils will have PE Enrichment on Tuesday afternoons. This term we will visit Larkin Farm.</p> 	<p>Music</p> <p>Chestnut Class will explore music through songs and rhymes about the sea and creatures found in the sea. Children will also explore rhythms and a range of sounds during gong sessions.</p> <p>We will begin to respond to different music with a water theme such as Under the Sea from the Little Mermaid.</p>