

Welcome back! We can't believe this is our last newsletter of the year! We have a busy and exciting half term ahead with lots of activities planned for our topic 'Under the sea'. We will be launching our topic by exploring a real rainbow fish as well as reading the story. We will then be setting up a beach role play area for the children to enjoy. Our topic landing will be a Beach Day on Friday 4th July. The children can come to school in shorts and t-shirts on this day.

Physical Development

- Multi-skills with a specialist teacher
- Fine Motor skills activities

Expressive Arts and Design

- Music theme is Moving Patterns focussing on **Structure**
- Making clay starfish
- Rainbow fish painting
- Step by step drawings
- Observational drawing of a fish

Learning Values

M - Motivation: learn about caring for the environment

E - Excellence: to apply new phonic sounds to their reading and writing

R - Respect: to make a persuasive class poster to stop water pollution

T - Teamwork: to work as a team during Sports Day

O - Opportunities: to find information about Trinidad

N - Never Give Up: to keep trying when learning something new

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Understanding the World

- Examining a real fish
- Animal habitats
- Water pollution
- Water safety
- Cooking fish cakes
- Read the story Coming to England
- Compare England to Trinidad

Merton Mission

- **Do it:** Visit an aquarium or the seaside
- **Make it:** Make a sparkly rainbow fish mask to bring in to school
- **Read it:** Go to the library and read a book about the sea

Maths

- Subitising
- Counting on and back within 10
- Sorting and matching
- Comparing and ordering
- Addition and subtraction
- Finding half
- Making equal groups of numbers
- To use Purple Mash at home

Literacy

- To label a fish
- To write words using phase 2 and 3 sounds
- To create a poster
- To follow a recipe
- Learning Phase 3 digraphs and CEW displayed on the reverse
- To practise writing sentences
- To use Purple Mash at home

Please continue to help your child by sharing their reading book and by practising their key words and sounds at home daily