

Our Summer Trip: Shoeburyness Beach

Entry Point: What is the seaside?

How you can help at home: Watch videos or plan a trip to the seaside with your child. Help them understand that there are many animals that live in the ocean. We do not see these animals on land which is where we live. Create a collage using pictures from the internet or magazines.

Explaining the theme: Going to the Seaside

How you can help at home: Be sure to ask your child all about their trip to the seaside! What did they see? What did they do? What was their favourite part? Why? Would they like to go again?

Exit Point: Pirate Picnic

How you can help at home: Take your child on a 'pirate picnic'. Dress up like pirates and find a cosy spot in the park and pretend you are on a ship. What things might you see? What food could you eat?

Buxton School



Reception



parent Newsletter

Welcome back to school! We hope you had an enjoyable holiday. This Half Term our topic is 'Sand and Water'. We will be reading books, experimenting with sand and water and going on our trip to the seaside.

Reminders:

1. The end of the year is just a few weeks away. If you have any questions or concerns over your child's learning please speak to your child's class teacher. We are beginning our transition for Year One and are more than happy to talk to you about what this looks like.
2. Reading Morning continues to run every Friday from 9.00-9.30am. We would love for you to come and spend some time with us in the Reception!
3. It is important for children to remain in school until the last day of the academic year. Please avoid taking holiday before the end of term.
4. As the weather turns warmer, please ensure your child brings a water bottle and sun hat to school every day.

Dates for the Term:

- Summer 2 begins: Monday 5th June
- Science Week: Monday 12th June
- Empathy Week: Monday 19th June
- Trip to seaside: Wednesday 28th June
- Reception and KSI Sports Day: Wednesday 5th July
- Parents' Evening: Thursday 6th July
- ACE Week: Monday 10th July and Tuesday 11th July (Pirate themed for us!)
- Prize Giving: Thursday 13th July
- Meeting Year 1 Class Teacher: Tuesday 18th July
- Last Day of Summer Term: Wednesday 19th July (Finishing at 12.30)

PRIME AREA

Communication and Language

- We will make observations about the natural world and use our words to describe what we see.
- Speaking about our trip to the seaside and telling stories as we read new books.

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Physical Development

- We will play games that require balancing, catching, throwing and running as we gear up for Sports Day.
- We are continuing to strengthen our pencil grip so our writing can improve further.

PRIME AREA

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- The children will adjust to changes in their routines as we begin the transition to Year One with visits and discussions. This will help get them ready for Year One.
- Working in groups for Sports Day
- Following safety rules on school trip.

SPECIFIC AREA Literacy

- We have differentiated Phonic lessons each day.
- Writing sentences is our big focus for the rest of the year. We encourage children to think of something, say it out loud and then write it down.
- Using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops consistently in writing.

Sand and Water

SPECIFIC AREA Mathematics

- We will consolidate our understanding of addition and subtraction.
- We will talk about distances and compare things that are near and far (such as the long journey we have to the seaside).
- We will use non-standard forms of measurement.

SPECIFIC AREA

Expressive Arts and Design

- Junk modelling will be a big focus this half-term whilst we encourage children to experiment with using different materials.

SPECIFIC AREA

Understanding the World:

- We will be learning about things in the sea and will keep a lookout for creatures when we are on our trip.
- We will be talking about the features of different environments