

Theme: Sea Creatures, Pirates, Seaside, Australia

This half term we will be learning and finding out about pirates, creatures under the sea, the seaside and holidays, particularly the country Australia. We are also learning the repetitive story of 'We're going on a Bear Hunt.'

Words to learn and use this half term:

Ahoy there!, shark, whale, fish, octopus, tentacles, fin, gills, ocean, beach, sea, shells, sand, transport, stern, travel agents, post cards

We will be using all of our senses to explore some exciting activities such as: cooking, planting, drama, and arts and crafts.

Visits

'The Creepy Crawly Road Show' was a huge success last half term. The children really loved the experience and gained a lot of new information and vocabulary.

Stories

During the half term many of the activities and learning experiences offered will be focussed around some of the following stories:

Alfie at the Seaside
Ten Little Pirates
The Sharing Shell
Barnaby at the Beach
Commotion in the Ocean
I'm the Biggest Thing in the Ocean!
The Train Ride
We're going on a Bear Hunt

Maths

This half term we will be learning to compare amounts using the language of **more, most, least, less and the same**. We will also be adding two groups of objects together to find the total amount. **Q-How many are there altogether?** We will be teaching the children to compare length, height and weight using language such as **tall, tallest, short, shortest, long, longest, heavy, light, full, half full and empty**.

Useful Apps and Websites

Topmarks Early Years Maths

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=16&AgeGroup=1>



Songs and Rhymes

The wheel on the ship goes round and round
Round and round, round and round
The wheel on the ship goes round and round
All day long.

The flag on the ship goes flap flap flap
Flap flap flap, flap flap flap
The flag on the ship goes flap flap flap
All day long.

The parrots on the ship go pretty pretty polly
Pretty pretty polly, pretty pretty polly
The parrots on the ship go pretty pretty polly
All day long.

The treasure on the ship goes sparkle sparkle sparkle
Sparkle sparkle sparkle, sparkle sparkle sparkle
The treasure on the ship goes sparkle sparkle sparkle
All day long.

The pirates on the ship go Arr Arr Arr
Arr Arr Arr, Arr Arr Arr
The pirates on the ship go Arr, Arr Arr
All day long.



Please remember:

- **To bring your book bag every day.**
- To write your child's name inside all of their uniform.
- To have a look at our school website for the school holiday list and other useful information : www.cheetwood.manchester.sch.uk
- Homework will be given out on a Thursday and this **must** be returned no later than the following **Wednesday**.
- Now the weather is becoming warmer please make sure your child wears sun cream and brings a sun hat to school, as we spend a large amount of time outdoors.
- Reading books are changed every Friday. Please make sure your child has their book bag everyday!
- To keep sending in any photographs of your child at home. Looking at the photographs is still their favourite activity in the Nursery! The Nursery email is nursery@cheetwood.manchester.sch.uk