



Mersey Park Half Term Overview



Summer 1

Year 1

Writing

In our Literacy lessons, we will be introducing our new seaside story 'Little Jack'. We will try hard to use power adjectives and 2A sentences to describe our new characters. We will create an exciting storymap and work hard to retell our story, remembering capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Linking to our new topic, we will also write instructions on how to build a sandcastle using time connectives such as first, next, then, after that and finally. We will also write our own seaside poems.

pier, souvenir, promenade, postcard



Reading and Phonics

In our reading we will be learning to sound out the words in our books and use our phonics to help us.

We will be revising the sounds in preparation for the phonics screening check;
ay play a-e shake ea each e he
ie pie i-e time o go o-e home
ue blue rescue ew chew new
u-e rude cute aw claw ea head
ir bird ou cloud oy toy i tiger
a paper ow snow u unicorn
ph phone wh wheel ie shield
g giant

As well as revising all Phase 3 sounds and Phase 4 blends.



Maths

In our maths lessons we will be continuing to look at multiplication and division. We will continue to practice counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will revisit our place value knowledge and extend our learning to numbers to 50. We will also look at telling the time to the nearest 15 minutes, recognising different coins and finding fractions such as $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$.



Foundation Subjects

Our topic this half term is 'Seaside'. As historians we will look at the seaside in the past. We will compare local seaside resorts using pictures now and pictures from the past. We will find out about what sort of holidays people went on in the past and compare to holidays we go on now. We will find out about popular holiday destinations in the UK such as Pontins and Butlins. As geographers we will look at the names and location of the four countries of UK as well as some of the main towns and cities. We will also learn the capital cities of the UK. As designers, we will create moving seaside pictures.

monarch, traditional, coast, abroad, foreign



Science

In science we will be learning about 'Plants'. We will learn about the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. We will identify, name and describe the main parts of plants, including trees. We will learn that trees are plants and will learn the meaning of 'evergreen' and 'deciduous' when describing and comparing trees. We will describe and compare common plants and trees in our local environment and will learn specific vocabulary relating to trees, e.g. trunk, bark etc. We will have the opportunity to plant, grow and observe our own plants. We will consider how to treat plants as living things with care.

wild, bulb, nutrition, blossom



Personal Development

To help our Year One children develop as well rounded little people who are ready for the world around them, we will also be teaching our children life skills this half term such as; sun safety and the importance of wearing sun cream and keeping out of the sun. We will also learn about the beaches on the Wirral and beach safety. As part of our Jigsaw work we will discuss Relationships and the significant individuals in our lives. As part of My Happy Mind, the children will learn to engage through goal setting and perseverance. We will also find different ways to connect to each other and our world.

