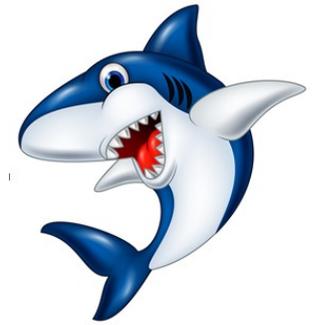




Whales and Sharks newsletter.



Years 3, 4 and 5.

WELCOME! Whales and Sharks are the names of the 'bubbles' of children Miss Auty and Miss Hargreaves will be teaching in school. Both bubbles have children from Years 3, 4 and 5 in them. If you have a child at home who is in Year 3, 4 or 5, you can use the home learning activities from Whales and Sharks. Year 5 children may also wish to look at Miss Cooper and Mr Thurlby's Year 6 work. This newsletter outlines some of the learning which will take place in Whales and Sharks over the coming weeks. As we don't know how long we will be operating in this way, we may not get through everything here so check the website each week for new learning for the following week. Everything you need for your child's learning at home will be added to the website each Friday. Once your child has completed their work, it should be emailed to their class teacher using the member of staff's new email address.

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PSHCE (personal, social, health and citizenship education)

These lessons will be hugely important to children this half term as they begin to adjust to some of the lockdown restrictions being lifted and whatever that may look like for them. As always, the children's mental health and well being remains hugely important to us so these lessons will be provided to give them the opportunity to talk about relevant issues such as keeping safe and making compromises. Our topics for this half term are called 'Time to Talk' and 'My Family First' and will again give the children plenty of opportunity to explore these themes in different ways, particularly through talking and art. Work around feelings will also be covered.

MATHS We will begin by reviewing some calculation work and looking at the 4 operations. In week 1, we will also look at place value. Week 2 will be focussed around problem solving. All staff have attended on line training for maths while we've been working at home so we are keen to try out some of the things we've learnt. Statistics and properties of shape are also topics to cover this half term.



ENGLISH We will cover a variety of genres over this half term to allow the children to write in different ways. Children will have the opportunity to write poetry, diaries, letters, narrative and non-fiction pieces. These will be based on various themes.



SCIENCE Topics to be covered include Microbes, Solids, liquids and gases, Rocks and fossils and Diet and exercise.



HISTORY Our initial History topic is the great plague. We will also study changes within our living memory as well as the stone age and iron age.

GEOGRAPHY We will learn about human and physical geographical features both locally and nationwide. We will use maps to look at different features across the world.

We hope this newsletter helps you to see what your child will be learning either at school or at home. Please check the website each Friday where you will find everything you need for your child's learning for the following week. If you have any questions, please email us. Keep safe and keep smiling. Miss Auty and Miss Hargreaves.

ART and DT We will do lots of creative work this half term to support the children with expressing themselves. Children will create work using paint, pencils, crayons, clay and weaving as well as working outdoors inspired by Andy Goldsworthy.

