



Blue planet



Summer term 2022

More about our topic...

This is an incredibly fascinating topic and we aim to make it a memorable one! Through cross-curricular learning we will partake in some exciting activities, including developing our art skills with a message about the importance of our environment.

Pupils will extend their geographic knowledge by understanding the UK and the wider world. We will be considering how a country's geographical location will affect the human population living there – thinking about settlements, agriculture, trade and lifestyle. Our overarching theme will be thinking and exploring how humans are affecting the environment before we consider the consequences of these actions.

We will be using maps, atlases and digital technology to further our learning and broaden our knowledge. We will focus on the importance of maps as well as how to understand the key features such as the points of a compass, co-ordinates and why a key may be necessary to explain a map.



English

In English, we will be improving our grammar, language and ability to write for different purposes through our topic.

Reading for pleasure and enjoyment will lie at the heart of our English curriculum. Children will be involved in guided reading, using a wide range of texts, linked to topic. They will take part in group discussions and will be encouraged to share their own views and reading interests. Through discussion and questioning comprehension skills will be developed, enabling children to increase understanding and appreciation of literature. Opportunities within all areas of the curriculum will be made available for children to develop their spoken language through discussion, drama and presentations.

Maths

Maths will be taught as an individual subject and will continue to adhere to the curriculum objectives. Teaching will enable children to become fluent in arithmetic as well as being able to reason and problem solve. Maths lessons will cover all aspects including, understanding number, using all four operations, measurement, geometry and statistics. Pupils will be extended at every opportunity to ensure their potential as mathematicians is achieved. Year 4 children are working towards their multiplication check in June.

Take home task to support work in school

To prepare for our new topic, it would be brilliant if the children could find some fascinating facts about the human effect on the ocean ready to present to the class, these facts can be presented in any format. It could be an information booklet, a slide show, a quiz or even a piece of art work which they could share. As well as this, please encourage your child to find and read a book related to our new topic (fiction or non-fiction!) and report back on it.

Thank you for your continued support.