

## Year 2 Summer Term 2 - Parent Information

### *Beachcombers*

Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside. Do you? That's good, because you're about to become an expert beachcomber. Head to your nearest beach to look for interesting and unusual objects, using your senses to spot, sniff and seek them out. Have you seen the rock pools yet? We can take a peek into the cool water to learn about the weird and wonderful animals and plants in their microhabitats. Maybe we can kick back in a deckchair and do a little reading. What's your favourite book about the seashore? Let's invent an amazing rock pool resident. What features will it need to survive happily in its watery habitat? Make a 3-D model of your plant or creature. Got your shorts and sunglasses on? Bucket and spade at the ready? Let's get beachcombing.



#### Helping your child prepare for their project

Beaches are fascinating places. Why not visit a beach and go on a rock pooling expedition of your own? Alternatively, you could visit a local pet shop to see a wide variety of fish, crustaceans and aquatic plants. You could also create drawings, paintings or models of sea creatures using online images for inspiration.

## Curriculum Themes for this half-term

Memorable experience	Trip to Seaham
English	Writing a biography of <i>Grace Darling</i> . Retelling the story of the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch from a character's viewpoint. Creating a non-fiction book about creatures in rock pools.
Maths	Statistics, Time and Number
Science	Electricity
DT	Structures - Making a beach hut
Computing	Programming quizzes
Music	The children will be learning to play the ocarina this half term with the aim to read, compose and perform using three different pitch notes.
Geography	Compass directions and interpreting a key on a map
History	Seaside holidays in the past and the life of <i>Grace Darling</i>
PSHE	Growing and changing
RE	What can we learn about our local faith communities?
PE	Athletics and cricket