



‘What’s hiding underneath the sea?’

	Half Term One
Literacy	As creative writers, we will be exploring stories set under the sea, such as, ‘You be You’, ‘Clumsy Crab’ and ‘Commotion in the Ocean’. We will be writing stories to entertain you and creating poetry! We might even perform some!
Maths	As marvellous mathematicians, we will be beginning our learning with place value, followed by addition and subtraction. We will be addressing any gaps in learning and build upon what the children know already.
Science	As scientists, we will be taking part in scientific enquiries and learning about animals including humans. We have a whole week dedicated to this theme so we can really embrace the topic!
Art	As artists, we will be using different brush sizes and exploring the cool colours we see at sea! We will be experimenting with paint, colour mixing with water colours and creating different shades of blue. We will look at some of Van Gough’s famous paintings and talking about his style of work.
History	As historians, over the year, we will be looking at a range of famous people and significant events. This term we will look at the history of our town!
Geography	As geographers, over the course of the year, we will be exploring amazing places and spaces whilst looking at seasonal changes. We will kick start our learning by locating the oceans around the world.
RE	This half term we will be learning about what it means to belong.
PSHE	This half term we will be getting to know each other, talk about our feelings and learning about keeping safe.
Music	Through our music programme ‘Charanga’ we will be listening to and learning sea shanties.
Computing	As Photographers, we will be using ipads to take, review and edit our own photographs.
PE	As sports personalities we will be starting our term with indoor and outdoor multi-skills and team playground games. We will talk about how exercise makes us feel.

### **Key Dates:**

Friday 22nd October: School breaks up for half term. **Please note this day is no longer a training day.**

Monday 1st November: School starts back.

### **Extra Information:**

Please remember to regularly check Class Dojo, the school website and our twitter feed @nsteadprimary for an up to date calendar of events and information.

### **PE for year 2:**

**Class 2GC: Tuesday and Thursday**

**Class 2KT: Monday and Wednesday**

**Class 2AW: Thursday and Friday**

Children can come to school in their PE uniform on their PE days. This should be in accordance with the expectations for PE uniform for school. . This is taken from the school prospectus.

-White polo shirt or t-shirt (not a football top)

-Navy blue shorts

-Navy blue sweatshirt (Not a hooded top)

-Navy blue joggers

-Trainers

-Jewellery

For reasons of health and safety we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exception to this rule is that children with pierced ears may wear ear studs, one per ear and these **MUST** be removed for any physical activity in school. It is not permissible to cover earrings with tape. If children are unable to take ear studs out themselves they should be left at home on PE /swimming days. School staff are not allowed to remove or replace earrings.

### **How can I help at home?**

-Label all belongings clearly. Any uniform left at the end of the day will be placed in the Lost Property box in the cloakrooms. Periodically, this will be emptied and any unclaimed clothing of a reasonable quality will be donated to charity.

-Support your child with their times tables through regular practice

-Speak to the class teacher and ask how you can help if you have any concerns.

-Encourage your child to be independent, with a successful approach to learning.

Thank you for your continued support,

**Mrs Carabine, Mrs Tindall and Ms Wiles**