

## KS1 Summer 1 Homework– Beside the Sea

### Reading

Each week, you will take two reading books home.

#### 1. My Book Bag Book

This book is chosen by your teacher and matches the sounds you are learning in class. Try to read it lots of times to help you get really good those sounds!



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#### 2. My Reading for Pleasure Book

You can choose a book from our class book trolley. This is a lovely book to enjoy with your grown-up. You can talk about the story, the characters, and what might happen next! Remember: You can swap your trolley book once you bring it back to school.

#### Reading at Home

Please try to read every day with your grown-up and remember to log your daily reading in your reading planner. It helps you become a super reader!

### Maths:

#### KIRFS (Key Instant Recall Facts)

KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts) are key number facts that children are expected to learn and recall instantly, without needing to work them out. These facts are an important part of your child’s mathematical development and help to build confidence and fluency in mental maths.

Each half term, we will focus on a specific KIRF, such as number bonds, times tables, or doubling and halving. For the Spring 2 half term, your child will be learning the following:

- **Year 1: KIRF: Count on and back in multiples of 2**
- **Year 2: KIRF: Know all multiplication and division facts for 10x table**

A **parent support sheet** is on the KS1 homework page on the school website. This will help you practise these facts with your child through fun and short activities. Practising little and often at home can make a big difference to your child’s confidence and recall.

### Topic

This half term, we are learning all about Beside the Sea. Below are 9 fun and creative homework tasks you can choose from. You don’t need to do them all – just pick the ones you like best!

#### Seaside Sound Hunt

Go on a “listening walk” (garden, street, or park).

- What sounds might you hear at the seaside? (waves, seagulls, wind)
- Can you hear anything similar
- Draw or write 3 sounds you noticed.

#### Build a Beach in a Box

Use a shoebox or container to create a mini beach scene.

- Use sand, paper, toys, shells, or drawings
  - Include sea, sky, and beach
- Label the parts (sea, sand, rock, etc.)

#### Postcard from the Seaside

Write a short postcard as if you are on holiday by the sea.

- Who are you writing to?
  - What can you see, hear, and do?
- Draw a picture on the front.

#### Seaside Counting Challenge

Collect small objects (coins, pasta, shells if you have them).

- Count in 2s, 5s, or 10s
- Make groups (e.g., 10 shells)
- Write the numbers down

#### Design Your Own Ice Cream

Draw and label your dream seaside ice cream.

- How many scoops?
- What flavours?
- Add toppings!

Challenge: Write a sentence describing it.

#### Float or Sink Experiment

Test different objects in a bowl of water.

- Predict: Will it float or sink?
- Test and record results

#### Seaside Story Time

Create your own short story set beside the sea.

- Who is in your story?
- What happens?
- Can you include a problem and a solution?

#### Map of a Seaside Town

Draw a simple map of a seaside place.

Include:

- Beach
  - Sea
  - Shops
  - Lighthouse or pier
- Add labels or a key.

#### Seaside Art – Wave Painting

Create ocean waves using paint, crayons, or collage.

- Use different shades of blue
- Add foam with white

Draw pictures to match

- Optional: add a boat or sea creatures

On the last week of this half term, bring in your most favourite piece of topic homework into school to share with your class. We can't wait to see what you create!