


Day	English	Maths	Phonics	Holistic
Monday	<p>This week we would have been exploring mermaids and moonstones. Can you make a list of all of the things you already know about mermaids. Where do they live? What are their favourite games? What do they eat?</p>	<p>Weight: Mermaids, in some of our stories in school, like to collect moonstones. Can you find some moonstones and see which one has the most magic inside by weighing them. You can use the coat hanger and bag again or challenge yourself by using kitchen scales.</p> <p>Parents: moonstones can be as simple as a pebble wrapped in tin foil.</p>	<p>The online phonics from the government is still up and running and we have heard positive feedback from parents about it so far.</p> <p>If you aren't accessing this: Play speed trial on phonics play to work out which sound needs a bit of work this week.</p> <p>Have a go at the game real or fake. The pirate one on phonics play is good for this or you can just write some real and fake words onto paper. Children read the words and then decide if they are real ones to keep or fake ones to bin.</p>	<p>Technology: Can you use a paint app to create your own under the sea world. If you don't have one you can get online picture painting via CBeebies website.</p> <p>Understanding the World: Mermaids tails needs to be waterproof like fish scales. Find some different materials around the house and test them to see if they are waterproof. You could try paper, polystyrene, plastic, a tea towel!</p>
Tuesday	<p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BdAe4Yeo-GM</p> <p>Peppa and the Mermaid. Have a look at the story of Peppa and the Mermaid. Pause and talk about what might happen next. How can they solve their problem? Has anything like this ever happened to you?</p>	<p>Moonstone addition and subtraction. We use a part part whole model for addition and subtraction in school. Here is an example of how to do it if you want to give it a go... https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vzeeaxLQDkE</p> <p>Using your moonstones complete some simple additions and subtractions.</p>	<p>Write some simple sentences using the sound your child is working on. Cut the sentence into words and challenge them to reorder in. If you take away one of the words can they work out which is missing in the sentence?</p>	<p>Exploring media and materials: Can you make your own under the sea world. You could use pebbles, blue fabric, paint some cardboard or make one with real water! Can you act out a story about mermaids?</p> <p>Physical: Can I send and aim? Using a ball throw and practice aiming at a target. This could be throwing and catching with another person or making an under the sea themed target board.</p>

<p>Wednesday</p>	<p>Writing activity. In school we are living in 'bubbles'. It reminds me of being under the sea! What would you have at your under the sea party? Can you design and label/caption/write about your party ideas for when we can all be together again.</p>	<p>Practise using the part part whole model again to work out some additions and subtractions.</p> <p>Give children some simple word problems and see if they can figure out what they need to do to solve it. E.g. Mo the mermaid has 9 moonstones. A seagull asks to have 3. She says it is ok. How many does Mo have left?</p>	<p>Phoneme noughts and crosses: Draw a noughts and crosses board and write in some words with a sound in your child needs to practise. To be able to put a nought or cross can they read the word.</p>	<p>Health and self-care: How do we stay safe at the seaside? Have a think about the differences between mermaids and people. Mermaids don't have to be careful near the seaside like we do. Can you come up with some good rules to keep safe on the beach?</p>
<p>Thursday</p>	<p>Snacks are essential at the best of times but especially at a party. Have a look at some party food snack ideas and write the teachers some simple instructions on how to make them.</p> 	<p>Extend the additions and subtractions by including word problems around doubling. You can add this in at any time of the day e.g. I am doing three big brushes of my teeth – how many should I do if I double them?</p> <p>On any outings look out for numbers and challenge your child to give one more, one less, double or half the number.</p>	<p>Mermaid scales. Draw out a mermaids tail with scales. Choose a word with the sound in your child needs to practise. Can they write the sounds in the word on the scales? e.g. sheep, sh...ee...p on the scales.</p>	<p>Art and design. Mermaids are known for their lovely singing. Can you create a mermaid song to warn the sailors away from the rocks. If you feel brave you could sing it for us on Tapestry.</p>
<p>Friday</p>	<p>Mermaid party games! Parents – write out some simple instructions for a party game e.g. mermaid musical statues Support your child to read them and have a go at playing the game.</p>	<p>Mermaid party. After all of that addition and subtraction and doubling, we can't leave out sharing!</p> <p>Set up a pretend tea party with toys and party food e.g. raisins etc. Use word problems again to encourage mathematical sharing. 'Teddy and dog need the same. Can you share out the xxx equally? There are five animals but only three want to eat xxx. Can you share these equally between the three?</p>	<p>Musical phonics. Play some funky music! When it stops shout a tricky word or phonic sound you know they need to practise. They need to have a go at writing the word/sound before the music starts.</p> <p>Dig for tricky words. Hide tricky words in the mud or sand if you have it. Can they dig them out like treasure.</p>	<p>Under the sea movement challenge. Can you think of different sea creatures and try moving around a space like they would. Try to get your grown-ups to play along. They'd look great moving like a jellyfish across the living room.</p>

