

Curriculum News May 2009
Going to the Seaside

Yellow Class Topic:
Focus Area: Geography

Staff	Miss Taylor and Mrs Cashmore	
Numeracy	In Numeracy this term we will be extending all skills with a particular focus on place value, 3D shapes and capacity . In addition to this we will be working alongside the Abacus scheme of work.	
Literacy	In Literacy, the children will be continuing with the Miskin Scheme of work and working on poetry, comprehension and persuasive writing through producing their own seaside brochures.	
Science	This term we will be learning about Grouping and changing materials. The children will explore different ways to group and sort materials, explore the effects of heat on materials (with a particular focus on food)_and learn different ways of recording and presenting their results .	
RE	In RE the children will be learning about The Ascension, Pentecost and learning about pilgrimages.	
ART	Art this term will take the form of Landscapes. The children will look at a variety of landscapes with a particular focus on water painting techniques by comparing artists like Turner and Hockney. They will then develop their tonal skills through the use of water colours and work collaboratively to produce a 3d multi medium seascape.	
PE	In PE the children will be learning the Dorset ring dance involving traditional country dance steps. They will also learn how to do a maypole dance.	
Music	The focus for this term will be through exploring timbre, tempo and dynamics. The children will then work on using all their skills to develop their own compositions.	
ICT	The children will be developing their ICT skills in a variety of ways this term including cutting and pasting pictures to accompany text, produce brochures and create water techniques and use digital blue cameras to record and evaluate their dancing.	
Geography	This is our main focus for the term and we will be making lots of cross curricular links to the other subject areas. For this 1sr part of the Summer Term we will be looking at the Geography of Seaside towns and comparing and contrasting them to Reading. We will extend this knowledge on next term to looking at the History of the Seaside.	
Homework: Will be given on Mondays to be returned the following Monday. It will consist of Maths, Spellings and Comprehension work.		
Useful Websites: http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/barnabybear/ http://www.mathletics.co.uk		Other: Please, please, please listen to your child read at least 5 times a week and ask them questions... it really helps with their comprehension.