



**Physical Development:**

This term in PE, children will develop their ability to work and play cooperatively with others. They will practise key movement skills, including running, stopping, throwing and moving safely in a space. Through simple team games, children will learn to take turns, follow instructions, understand different roles and begin to keep score. These activities will support their confidence, teamwork, communication and physical coordination. We will also make final preparations for Year 1 by consolidating gross motor skills and correct letter formation, helping children to build strength, control and confidence in their movements.

**Key Texts:**

- Grandad's Island
- Rainbow Fish
- Pirates Love Underpants
- Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs
- Girl and the Dinosaur

**Mathematics:**

This term is the final opportunity to strengthen the key mathematical understanding children need to feel confident and ready for Year 1. The children will continue to develop a secure sense of number through rich, practical and playful exploration. They will consolidate number bonds to 5 and 10, doubles, odd and even numbers, and counting patterns. They will also build numbers beyond 10, practise adding more and taking away, and deepen their understanding of one more and one less. The children will begin to record their mathematical thinking more formally by using squared paper and mathematical symbols to write simple number sentences.

**Life is an Adventure!**

**Personal, Social & Emotional Development:**

The PSHE unit this half term is 'Changing Me'. The children will learn about parts of the body and label them correctly. They will also learn about how people grow from babies to adults. We will also explore transition to Year 1. We will discuss how the children feel about the change to a new class, what worries they might have about this and reflect on our favourite memories from our time in Robins.



**Understanding the World:**

Children will explore beaches, comparing places around the world with Lyme Regis. They will investigate floating and sinking and learn how to care for the ocean. Through pirate-themed play, they will explore maps, positional language and simple navigation. They will become dinosaur detectives, comparing dinosaurs with animals today. Children will also learn about fossils, Mary Anning and Lyme Regis through fossil hunting and hands-on discovery.

**Communication & Language:**

Children will develop their speaking and listening skills through daily story times, poems, Drawing Club and imaginative role play. They are read stories at least three times a day, giving them regular opportunities to listen, respond and share ideas. New vocabulary is taught explicitly and linked to our themes, including beaches, oceans, pirates, maps, dinosaurs, fossils and Mary Anning. Role-play areas, such as the beach shop, pirate ship, and Jurassic Café, will encourage children to ask questions, use new language and build confidence in conversation.

**Literacy Development:**

This term, in reading, the children will consolidate their Set 2 phonics sounds and continue to read books carefully matched to their current phonics level. The focus will be on building fluency, accuracy and confidence when reading. In writing, children will develop their handwriting through more structured sessions, with a focus on correct letter formation, orientation and consistency. They will use their phonics knowledge and Fred Talk to spell words and write for different purposes linked to our key texts. Through Drawing Club, children will continue to explore books and animations to inspire their ideas, while practising sentence writing with capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

**Expressive Arts & Design:**

Children will enjoy creative activities linked to our seaside, ocean, pirate and dinosaur themes while practising cutting, joining, shaping, painting, printing and collage. They will make sea creatures, sandcastles, treasure maps and felt pirate hats, developing fine motor skills and creativity. As part of their dinosaur learning, they will create salt dough fossils, clay dinosaurs, fossil rubbings and dinosaur biscuits. Music will continue through Charanga's Big Bear Funk unit, supporting listening, rhythm and performance skills.

**Enrichment:** Your child will continue to take part in Forest School on Friday afternoons. This half term, children will enjoy adventure-themed enrichment, including a beach obstacle course, pirate activities, treasure map challenges, dinosaur footprint trails and digging areas. We are also planning a beach trip to visit the Mary Anning statue and go fossil hunting, helping children connect their learning to our local area.

**At home:** Please continue to practise reading with your child at home as often as possible. Encourage them to read their tricky word bookmark, speedy words, and at least a page of their book each time. We also welcome you to share observations on Tapestry to celebrate your child's achievements at home - we love seeing these and sharing them with the class!