



### Language and literacy

We will be learning about winter this half term, including learning the names of arctic animals and thinking about what clothes we need when it is cold. We will look at and listen to stories that link to our "Winter Wonderland" theme.

As part of the topic, we will practice our self-care skills of putting on our own coats and hats.

We will use focus play, our small group learning sessions and our Beach provision to support and help children's development and understanding.



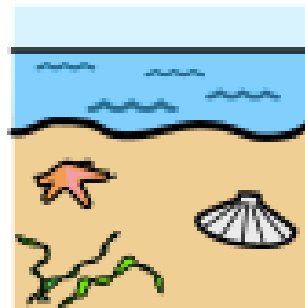
### Songs and story time



At the end of your child's session each day, we will share a story linked to our topic as well as sing a song together. We will also use toys or puppets that connect to the story to show their thoughts and feelings.



## Welcome to The Beach Spring Term Winter Wonderland



### Communication and Interaction

Within the Beach, we recognise that every child is unique. Our goal is to remove barriers to learning, and to allow each of our children to access a curriculum that is tailored to their individual needs. Dependant on the child's age, stage and needs they will have bespoke targets which will focus on the engagement model and intensive interaction or early learning stages within speaking, listening, reading, writing and maths.

We wish to encourage communication, self-regulation and to improve attention and organisational skills of our children.



### Number

We will sing a broad range of number songs together using objects of reference to develop our counting skills and develop a love of number. We will also use objects linked to our topic to practice our 1:1 correspondence.



### Attention Autism - Bucket Time

Each day, your child will take part in the intervention which is called Bucket Time as part of the Attention Autism programme. Attention Autism is an intervention approach by Speech and Language Therapist Gina Davies which aims to work on the early fundamentals of language including awareness of others, attention, listening, shared attention, switching attention and turn-taking.



The main theme to start off this term in The Beach is “[Winter Wonderland](#)”.

We will continue to focus on supporting your child’s verbal and non-verbal communication and interaction, emotional regulation and developing specific cognition and learning areas including enjoying stories and books, number and beginning to develop writing and attention skills.

### **P.E. and EVO**

In Spring Term, our PE session is on a Friday morning.

We will have daily sensory circuits, body movement time and focussed play outdoors where the children can develop their fine and gross motor skills.



### **Winter Wonderland**

### **Reading, Writing and Phonics**

We will be focussing on *developing a love of reading by sharing stories at group time as well as reading in provision. We will regularly change our books to keep engagement high. We will also be doing daily mark making using your child’s interests to engage them further.*





## Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th January – Parents Evening  
Friday 13th February - Finish for half term  
Monday 16th - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term Holiday  
Monday 23rd February - Spring 2 starts  
Wednesday 4th March - World Book Day @ WCM (Cosy Read & dressing-up)  
Wednesday 11th March – INSET 4/5 school closed for children  
Tuesday 17th March – Y2 Visit to Tropical Butterfly House  
Friday 20th March – Red Nose Day (Dressing-Up)  
Week Beginning 23rd March - Easter Events (Egg Challenge Competition)  
Wednesday 25th March – F2 Visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park  
Friday 27th March - Finish for Easter Holidays  
Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April – Easter Holidays  
Monday 13th April - Summer 1 starts  
Wednesday 15th April – Eid Celebration (3:20-4:00pm)

