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Under the Sea

Let's explore the ocean and find out what lives below the waves.

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| <p>Fun with Words and Stories</p>  | <p>Listen to this lovely book of poems about the different creatures that can be found in the sea. Pretend to be the creatures. Can they draw the creatures from the poems? What adjectives are used to describe each?</p> <p>For older children: Can they write their own poem about their favourite underwater creature.</p> <p>Pollution in the sea is a big problem. More and more plastic is finding its way into the ocean and killing the creatures. Listen to this story. How can we help?</p> <p>For older children: Design a poster to tell people how they can protect our oceans.</p> |
| <p>Exploring maths</p>  | <p>Measure and compare. Find out how long various under water creatures are. Use chalk and draw these lengths on the path near to your house. The children will be amazed at how big some of these creatures are. Can they order these longest to shortest?</p> <p>For older children: Can they find the difference between different creatures' lengths?</p> |
| <p>Discover</p>  | <p>This is an easy to set up salt density experiment and is a great variation on the float or sink investigation. How does salt affect the density of water? Will the egg sink or float in salt water? Let your child investigate, what floats/sinks in normal water? Is this the same in salty water? Use this link to help.</p> <p>For older children: Just like the layers of the Earth, the ocean has layers too! Explore the layers of the ocean with this liquid density tower experiment. Extend your child's understanding by finding out how many layers the ocean has. What are they? Why don't different liquids mix?</p> <p>This link has an excellent ocean activity pack that you can download for FREE!</p> |
| <p>Make and learn</p>  | <p>Make an under the sea diorama. Click here for ideas.</p> <p>Or make an ocean in a bottle by clicking on this link.</p> <p>For older children: Use felt to sew some cute underwater creatures. Here is a link to help you.</p> |

New Online Family Learning Courses- Free courses for January 2022

To book, [click on this link](#), or contact the Enrolment Team on 01296 383582. For information contact Kathryn on 07770 641997

- Support Your Child with Phonics- Reception parents and carers
- Support Your Child with Phonics - Y1&2 parents and carers
- Support Your Child with Reading - Y3&4 parents and carers
- Support Your Child's Wellbeing- Key Stage 1 or Key Stage 2 parents and carers
- For information on Early Years courses please text/call Iva on 07710 145234 or Wendy on 07768 044813.

New Adult Learning Courses-

- Level 3 Award in Education and Training -starting in January 2022
Contact Tessa Murray for more information
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Useful Websites

- Are you interested in the [Grow It, Cook It, Eat It \(buckinghamshire.gov.uk\)](#) to volunteer?
- Scholastic provide author and illustrator events online: [Scholastic Schools Live: Virtual reading events for Scholastic schools - Scholastic Shop](#)
- Applying for Primary School opens this month and is available until mid- January: [Apply for a primary school place | Buckinghamshire Council](#)
- <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/> :to help with conversations about staying safe online