

## 27/06/25

This week our topic is 'Beach' and 'under the sea'. We have been reading summer themed stories such as, 'Grandma's beach', 'What the ladybird heard at the seaside' and 'busy beach'.

Activities this week at pre-school:

- Beach role play The children played in our pretend 'beach' with real sand, buckets, spades, camping chairs, towels, sunglasses etc. They have also played with a pretend ice-cream van using lollies and ice-cream tubs.
- Sea themed sensory tray. The children played with salt that had been dyed blue to look like the sea. Inside the tray is different sea animals.
- Fishing game The children have enjoyed playing a wooden fishing game using rods.
- We read 'clean up' and continued to talk about why it's important to recycle our rubbish and keep our beaches clean. The children picked out rubbish from a sea themed tuff and sorted them into recycling piles.
- Bubble wrap painting The children printed using bubble wrap in the shape of a starfish.
- Frozen sea animals We froze some sea animals in ice and spoke about what happens to water when you put it in the freezer. The children played with the frozen sea animals and talked about what happened to the ice.
- Sensory ice-cream activity The children played with shaving foam coloured to look like cream. They played with ice-cream pots and serving spoons.

Phonics: Oral blending and segmenting

To develop oral blending and segmenting of sounds in words.

We will be playing games that involve asking the children to blend and segment sounds in word e.g. c-a-t or p-e-n.

## Important information:

- We are really excited that Story Bears will be visiting Codden and Taw classes on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July am to lead an interactive story, music, play and massage session. The cost for this experience will be £3 per child. Please pay via Eduspot/SchoolMoney by 30<sup>th</sup> June. On this occasion this experience is only available for children who currently attend Pre-School on Thursday.
- Pre-school Stay and Play Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 8.45am-10.00am
- Welcome to School Coffee Morning in the school hall Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 9am-10am. This is only for children who will be starting school this September.
- Toy Sale on Thursday 26th June at 3:15pm-4pm to raise funds to develop a stage area for the EYFS Garden. We welcome donations of good quality toys, puzzles, games and books.
- We have started transition sessions for our school starters. Transition sessions will occur throughout the week, so every child has the opportunity to spend some time in Codden class with Mrs Paul, Miss Burnell and Cheryl.