



20/06/25

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.
- Starfish and seahorse craft - The children decorated a seahorse or starfish using paper tissue.
- Sensory waterplay - the children played with two sea themed trays. They explored different sea animals, sand and shells.
- We read 'Somebody swallowed Stanley' and talked about why it's important to recycle our rubbish and keep our beaches clean. The children separated rubbish into plastic and cardboard.
- Icecream oblex sensory tray - The children made pretend ice-creams using cones and scoopers.

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 3rd 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 30th June. On this occasion this experience is only available for children who currently attend Pre-School on Thursday.**
- Toy Sale on **Thursday 26th June at 3:15-4pm** 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.