

# Year 2 Autumn Term First Half



**Oh I do like to be beside the seaside!**



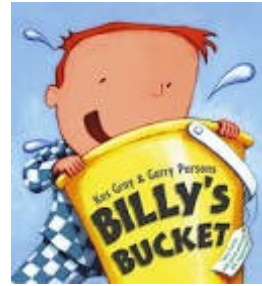
We start the year with an exciting **Geography** and **History** topic all about finding out about what we might see and do at the seaside. We will look at maps as well as photographs. We will also find out about what it might have been like to visit the seaside in the past.



In **Music** we will be learning about different styles of music with a focus on African music. We will also think about finding the pulse, clapping different rhythms and long and short sounds.

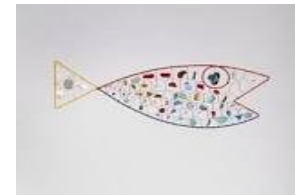


## English



We will be reading lots of amazing stories about the seaside like **Billy's Bucket** and **Sally and the Limpet**. We will be practising our story writing skills with a focus on describing characters and settings. We will finish the half-term with seaside poetry. We will start by looking at poems from **Commotion in the Ocean** and then have a go at creating our very own poems that we will perform to the rest of the class.

**Art** We will be looking at shape space and form. Using the artist Alexander Calder we will be designing different patterns on fish and using different materials to create them. We will also have a go at making a giant fish out of wire which we will all



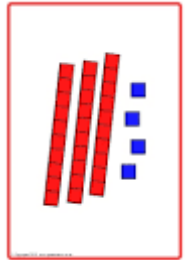
**R.E.** Our theme will focus on places of worship. We will think about how different places are used by different groups of people. We will begin by asking children about places that are special to them and will then spend the following weeks looking at Mosques, Gurdwaras and Buddhist temples. We will end this topic by comparing the different places of worship and thinking about their similarities and differences.

**P.S.H.E.** We will start by reminding ourselves of our class rules, rewards and consequences. We will look at the topic of people who are important to us and what makes them special to us. We will link this into 'Friendly Me'.



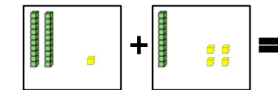
## Maths

This term we will be developing our number skills with lots of practical 'place value' activities exploring tens and ones.



We will compare numbers of objects and place them on a number line.

We will then work on our addition and subtraction skills using practical apparatus first adding tens and ones and then 2 digit numbers.



**Computing** Our focus will be staying safe on the Internet. We will look at the acceptable use policy together and make sure we understand it. We will then look at the use of email and how it is used to communicate.

**P.E.** This half term we will be looking at coordination and control. We will practise this by throwing and catching balls as well as using rackets. We will also practice our Yoga moves.

