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Welcome to the new half-termly newsletter from Classes 6, 7, 8 and 9 – Lower Key Stage 2.

BLUE ABYSS

Grab your wetsuit! We're going deep into an underwater world of incredible coral and sea creatures. We've been to the aquarium, and found out a bit about life in the world's oceans.

We'll be finding out what real divers get up to below the surface and finding out about deep-sea submarines and Jacques Cousteau.

We'll learn about the deepest, darkest depths of our oceans and discuss bioluminescence in our strangest animals.

So, are your flippers on? Your snorkel ready? Get ready to find out about the Blue Abyss...

<h2>Art</h2>	We'll be doing a lot of sketching and observational drawing this project. We're hoping to have a fish delivery so we can really study the finer details before drawing them. We'll take Art into Guided Reading and look at Anthony Gormley's installations on the beach and complete some batik prints! Phew!
<h2>Computing</h2>	A mixed computing bag with programming and multimedia presenting over the course of the unit. Prepare to be wowed by PowerPoint!
<h2>DT</h2>	We'll be using plastic bottles, straws and blue-tak to show how a deep-sea submarine works! Trust me – it works!!
<h2>Geography</h2>	Mapping (you may never get lost again), oceans, seas, 'The Plastic Problem' and the Great Barrier Reef are all covered in our geography lessons.
<h2>Science</h2>	We'll obviously be looking at a lot of fish! Working scientifically to group and classify ocean creatures and looking at their habitats.

Please complete and hand in the envelope of forms given to your child last week – these forms enable us to do so much with your children; use the internet, send you pictures of our exploits and go on more trips! If you need another set, please ask and we'll get some to you.

Thank you for your continued support.



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Newsletter

Welcome back or welcome to Lower Key Stage Two and what a lovely start we have had to the year. Our new Year 3s are settling well and are adapting to the changes of being upstairs and the new Year 4s are setting good examples and rising to the challenges a new year group brings.

We hope you all had a lovely summer and we look forward to getting to know you more over the course of this year. We have some exciting things planned for your children which we will let you know about on Marvellous Me and on future newsletters.

See over for this term's project.

BLUE REEF AQUARIUM

A good time was had by the Y3s and Y4s on our trip last week. We were pleased at how keen the children were - not only to see the amazing creatures but to also get splashed by the seals!

UNIFORM

The children have come back to school looking exceptionally smart, shiny black shoes and blue jumpers all round – thank you for your help with this. We really believe it helps create a good learning environment.

Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school. The PE days for each class are below.

HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS

Each week, pupils should receive the following homework from school:

- *Spellings
- *Reading (daily if possible but three times per week minimum)
- *Times Table Rock Stars (Children have a password to do this online if they have the facility)

A topic Family Learning Project will be sent home as usual – there has been some fantastic work and we always look forward to seeing what the children produce each time.

PE DAYS:

YEAR 3 - MRS SNELSON (CLASS 6) MONDAY, MRS PORRITT (CLASS 7) TUESDAY

YEAR 4 - MRS TONES (CLASS 8) THURSDAY, MISS RIGG (CLASS 9) THURSDAY

Please get in touch with any of the class teachers if you require any further information about anything on this newsletter.