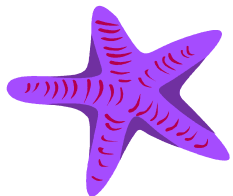




**What we will be learning about: living things - plants and animals**

# Starfish Sum 1



**Expressive Arts and Design**  
 Explore rubbings, patterns, texture through printing and collage. Look at work by Van Gogh.  
 Acting out stories they know and making up their own.  
 Make choices about instruments to accompany a song. Practise and perform.

**Personal, social and emotional Relationships**  
 Exploring how they might hurt others' feelings and how others can hurt their feelings, developing strategies to deal with this.  
 Investigating fair and unfair situations.  
 Thinking about how we keep fit and healthy

**Communication, Language and Literacy**  
 Books: Jasper's Beanstalk, The Tree, Little Red riding Hood.  
 Reading and writing and speaking in sentences.  
 Use phonic knowledge to read and spell.  
 Read and write common words correctly.  
 Follow more complex instructions

**Physical**  
 Develop ball skills – throwing, catching, passing and using equipment to move a ball.  
 Begin to control size of letters and form all letters and numbers correctly.  
 Show accuracy when drawing and cutting.

**Knowledge of the World**  
 Find out about living things, plants, animals and habitats and life cycles in our environment.  
 Know how people care for the environment.  
 Name features in the area they live and recognise them on a map.

**Mathematical**  
 Automatically recall number bonds for numbers 0–10  
 Doubling  
 Halving  
 Sharing  
 Verbal counting beyond 20  
 Add and subtract using numbers to 10  
 Length – cms

**Fab finish: We will bring home a plant we have grown from seed**

**The big question: What does 'alive' mean?**

## How you can help

- Find out about different living things – animals and plants
- Find out about different fruit and vegetables
- Do some gardening at home even if it is only a window box!
- Continue to read lots of stories to your child and practice reading and key words with your child every day
- Do some writing at home every day if possible

## Reminders

- **PE** - Please send your child into school wearing their named PE kit on **Fridays** (they will wear it all day so they do not need to bring in a change of clothes).
- Put sunscreen on at home in the morning
- Bring some sunscreen into school for your child to keep at school
- Bring a sunhat to school (named)

### New Vocabulary

**alive, grow, seed, plant, root, leaf, flower, petal, stem, compost, soil, forest, woods, path, map, tree, insect, habitat, environment.**