

Year 1

Element: Water.

In Year 1, children will be undertaking a range of fascinating projects with the outcome of producing wonderful written work and creative pieces of art, all based around our element of Water.



Literacy:

Children will have the fantastic opportunity to produce creative writing using our Talk for Writing Strategies on the story called 'The Singing Mermaid'. The strategies taught in our Talk for Writing lessons have had some outstanding outcomes over the past year. Our Author in Year 1 is Julia Donaldson and 'The Singing Mermaid' is one of many amazing books she has written. Her books have a range of fantastic vocabulary for the children to learn and use in their writing.



Geography

The many purposes of the element will be taught, including the health benefits, as part of our 'healthy school' agenda, and the benefits brought by water to people on a larger scale, as a key tool for food production, for example. How the environment is affected and changed by water overtime will also be investigated to form part of our Geography/Topic lessons.



Art:

In our Art lessons, children will be learning to use a range of different techniques that will be used for our 'Water Element' display. The art work will be based around 'The Singing Mermaid' story such as finger painting for the scales, using cotton buds for the spotty effect on some sea creatures.