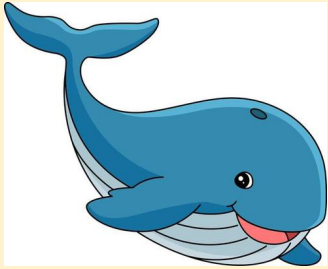


Riverside Primary School  
Curriculum Newsletter for Families:  
Summer 2 - 2026

Year Two

This half term our theme is...



# THE JOURNEY OF A WHALE



Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely half term. We would like to take this opportunity to tell you all about the exciting half-term ahead. This newsletter is where you can find out all about what your child will be learning over the coming weeks, along with some ideas and suggestions for some activities you could try to support their learning at home.

## What are we learning during this theme?

In Art, we will be using the medium of clay to create a sculpture in the style of Barbara Hepworth.



During RE lessons, we will be answering the question 'why do people have different views about the idea of God?' We will discuss the different roles God plays in people's lives as well as formulating their own ideas.



Throughout our Geography unit, we will be mapmakers. We will be doing fieldwork and using our observational skills to study the geography of the local area.



In PSHE, we will be learning about how we change as we grow older as well as ways to keep ourselves safe. Our 'No Outsiders' book will be *The Great Big Book of Families* by Mary Hoffman and Ros Asquith.

Throughout our computing lessons, we will be learning how to use the internet. We will be practising the skills of searching the internet, following links and creating content for an online blog.

In PE this half term, we will be focusing on swimming. These lessons will be on a Thursday.

## Trips, Visitors and Experiences

This half term, we will be going on a local area walk to help us with map making in Geography.

### How can you support your child at home?

Every week, please make sure you read together at least **5 times a week**. There will be Spellings to learn as well as Maths and Reading Comprehension activities to complete in their CGP homework book on alternate weeks. Your child also has access to Times Tables Rockstars which they can access and use to practise their times tables! We would love for the children to participate in our regular SumDog competitions, where they will have the chance to earn a certificate.

In addition to this, please find some suggestions below of how to support your child's learning:

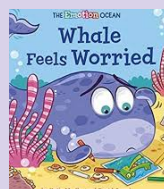
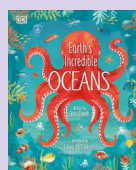
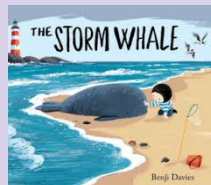
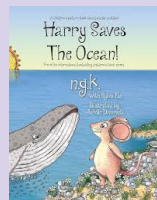
#### Things to do:

- Explore the local area and begin to create a map. Can you use a key for the human features on your map?
- Research different clay artists. Who is your favourite? Can you create a piece of artwork in their style?



- Go into nature and see what you can find.

#### Books to read:



#### Things to watch:

[Whale facts](#)

[Facts about Whales](#)

[Save the whale maths game](#)

[Quiz to test your knowledge](#)