

Communication & Language

- Frequent opportunities for story retelling.
- Learn some summer songs to sing and perform together.
- Create a summery sensory tray for children to explore
- Packing a suitcase to go on holiday "what do we need to go on holiday?"
- Sort items -sunglasses, hat, sun cream, swimming costume, flippers, towel).
- Listening activities different sounds of the seaside
- Predictions from summer stories.

Mathematics

- Sing counting songs with the children.
- Collect a selection of seashells and invite children to compare quantities of them.
- Fishing for numbers in tuff spot tray
- Seashells matching cards -1:1 correspondence
- Numbered flag game in sand.
- Pirate counting.
- Fish magnetic game.
- Counting treasure activity.
- Subitising dice faces.
- Animal counting in water area.

Science

- Planting seeds in the garden
- Smells and sounds of summer holidays - at the beach
- Melting activities
- Sun Cream testing

Physical Development

- Children to practise their small motor skills to create paper suns.
- Play a shadow movement game.
- support children to make some fruit salad to eat.
- Talk about sun safety and how to keep safe in hot and sunny weather.
- Support children to decorate some filter paper flowers
- Summer tweezer games.
- Summer threading activities.
- Outdoor obstacle course.
- Cosmic Yoga.

Medium Term Planning

Summer

Seaside Fun

Understanding the World

- Talk about what plants and flowers need to grow. Plant some seeds or flowers in an outside area and encourage the children to look after them.
- Have a sunflower growing competition.
- Investigate flowers.
- Go for a summer walk
- Beach area in the classroom/outside -every week adding a new prop (e.g. sounds of the sea, blue fabric, sand, flippers, spray bottles)
- Playing with boats-making boats and kites
- Pirate treasure hunt with gold coins/sparkly items hidden

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- Circle-time activity - pass a small soft toy around the circle.
- Encourage children to work together as a group to prepare and hold a teddy bears' picnic.
- Play a parachute game to encourage children to work together.
- Encourage children to practise their turn-taking skills using pair game.
- Look at summer photos and encourage children to talk about what they can see.

Literacy

- Play a summer-themed rhyming game.
- Read summer-themed books to the children and encourage them to join in with repeated refrains.
- Letterjoin gross and fine motor activities.
- Beach/sand sound hunt.
- Listening Walks.
- Summer Clothes activity.
- Sand mark making

Expressive Arts & Design

- Explore materials to create colourful window decorations.
- Invite children to perform summer songs
- Encourage children to explore colouring mixing to paint a picture of the sun.
- Create some musical sunshine tambourines
- Splatter painting with water and paint on big paper outside using brushes to flick
- .Songs - All sing songs related to summer-"Beside the seaside" "The sun has got his hat on", "5 ice creams", "10 green bottles"
- Music with seaside objects-ocean drum, seashells.
- Painting outside/in the paddling pool