

# Commotion in the Ocean and Poles Apart

Reception 2023-2024

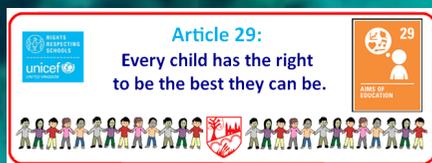
## Curriculum Overview

### Communication and Language

This term we will develop our vocabulary as we travel around the world, learning about new places people and concepts. We will continue to practice speaking in full sentences to articulate our understanding.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be learning about how to be a good friend and what makes us unique and special. We will celebrate our differences and learn to be respectful and kind towards others. Our Jigsaw units of 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me' will support this.



### Literacy

Through RWI Phonics we will continue working towards becoming fluent and confident readers. We will use our phonics knowledge to write independent sentences inspired by our topic learning and using fantastic focus texts such as 'The Pirates Next Door', 'The Rainbow Fish', 'Lost and Found' and 'Elmer'.

### RE

Our Christian Value for this term is Hope and our Character Education Trait is Empathy. In our RE lessons we will learn why the word 'God' is important to Christians, and what different religions believe about our wonderful world.

### Physical Development

In PE we will learn some basic team games, alongside practising for our first ever Sports Day!

### Mathematics

This term in maths we will learn about numbers to 20 and beyond alongside strengthening our understanding of numbers to 10. We will focus on the composition of numbers to 10 including addition and subtraction facts.

### Understanding the World

We will be going on a journey around the world this term, from learning about pirates from the past to fascinating sea creature facts and experimenting with floating and sinking. Following this we will compare habitats and countries around the world and learn how to look after our planet.

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will use have lots of fun in art and music this term, including designing and building 3D pirate ships, creating artwork from plastic waste and making a giant, colourful Elmer!



# Key Topic Vocabulary

Etymology:

From Latin 'aequare' - to make equal. 'Aequator' - the equalizer of day and night.



pirate

mast

anchor

rudder

cutlass

crow's nest

telescope

map

compass

island

volcano

flag

Jolly Roger

bandana

eye-patch

sails

hook

cannons

battle

doubloons

pole

Antarctica

Arctic

blubber

predator

adapt

environment

climate

habitat

continent

equator

comparison

similarity

fierce

camouflage

rainbow

rainforest

hope

thankfulness

humility

observe

sort

similarities

differences

grouping

materials

test

predict

experiment

conclusion