

## Year 4 - Swans



We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas break and are ready for an exciting new term! Our topic this half term is called 'Blue Abyss' - so grab your wet suit because we are going deep into an underwater world of incredible coral and mysterious sea creatures.
Our Topic this term has a science focus, thinking about living things and how they adapt to their environments.
As well as our main topic we will also cover these areas:

- In PE we will be playing Tag Rugby and revisiting Gymnastics.
- In Geography we will be exploring the oceans of the world, including coral reefs and the environmental impact of humans.
- In ICT we will be looking at spreadsheets.
- In PSCHE our focus is 'dreams and goals'.
- In DT we will be exploring submarines! We will need empty plastic bottles of various sizes, so start collecting!
- In Art we will be exploring the art of Anthony Gormley, and others, as well as creating our own seascapes.
- The children will be modelling with waste plastic so please wash any plastic 'rubbish' you have and send it into school, especially milk bottle tops and drinks bottle caps.

In Maths we will be following the National Curriculum with a focus on multiplication and division, area and fractions.

Our English will be explored through our topic work and there will be a focus on poetry, dilemma, persuasive letters and biographies.

Maths or English homework will usually go out on a Friday and be returned the following Thursday. Our main maths focus for homework is learning our times tables and developing our speed and accuracy.

Our topic homework will be a three dimensional model of the ocean - more information to follow!

Please feel free to pop in to 'Drop In' every other Wednesday at 3pm. We are always happy to discuss matters that are important to both you and your child.

Mrs Criddle

