## Our Wonderful World

## WEEK 4 - WORLD OCEANS!

In this week's activities you will learn about our wonderful oceans and some of the amazing life that is found in them. You will also learn about the fragility of our oceans, and the impact that we as humans have had on them from our dependence on plastic.

I have included lots of useful resources with links and a range of activities to suit all ages. Some of the activities have associated worksheets and support materials which you will find on the geography whole school learning page on the school website.

I hope that you enjoy learning about our wonderful oceans!

## To get stefted



**Look** at the 'World Oceans' presentation uploaded on the website. It is packed with interesting information. If you have an atlas at home, take a look and see if you can find these oceans. Talk about this with a grown up if you can.

**Watch** this <u>introduction</u> to oceans from BBC Bitesize and this <u>BBC Live lesson</u> on our oceans and our human impact on them.

**Play** this <u>quiz</u> from National Geographic Kids about oceans.

**Read** fascinating facts about oceans <u>here</u>.

**Talk about** Which ocean would you most like to visit and which creatures would you most like to encounter there? Why do you think it is important that we look after our oceans? What do you think will be the consequences if we don't? What small thing can each member of your family do to help protect our oceans?

## ACTIVITY IDEAS FOR ALL CHILDREN

- Use an atlas or an online mapping tool to find the names of the major oceans and seas around the world. You could use the 'Oceans & Seas of the World' resource uploaded to the website and label the names of the oceans and seas that you have identified (or use the ones they have suggested).
- Create a poster explaining about the dangers of plastic in our oceans and encouraging people to avoid single-use plastics and to recycle and re-use. You could work as a family to make a piece of artwork on the theme of our wonderful oceans, reusing using single-use plastics and other materials. Get some inspiration <u>here</u>.
- Choose one of the major world oceans and find out about some of the organisms that live in it. You could create illustrated fact cards about some of these organisms and even draw, paint or make a model of your favourite organism too.
- You could make an ocean ecosystem in a shoe box. Click <u>here</u> for some amazing ideas to inspire you.
- Find out about how scientists are helping to protect some of our vulnerable ocean residents. Click
  <u>here</u> to watch a video about South Africans penguins and <u>here</u> to watch a video about the
  Mediterranean monk seal. Teach someone in your family about what you have learnt.