




Ocean Treasure

FS1 Learning Journey

Start Date:	Sunday 25 February	Unit Length:	7 weeks
	Links to Host Country (Qatar) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pearl diving • Whale sharks • Dugongs 	During this unit our students will be:  	
Ocean Treasures Have you ever wondered what you might find under the sea? We're going to be exploring the oceans of the world, investigating forests of swaying seaweed, and diving deep into the darkest depths, to find out more about all the amazing and beautiful animals that make the sea their home. Are we ready to take the plunge and see what we can find?			
Entry Point The children will celebrate the start of their new IEYC unit with time in the sand. They will have the opportunity to explore the book 'Flotsam', and how sand feels on their bare feet. We will talk about the beach environment and begin decorating our space together.			
Capturing Curiosity The children will be asked to tell us what they already know about this topic. What do you know about the sea? Can you describe what the sea looks like?			
Learning Block 1 The focus of this learning block is 'By the Sea'. Activities will include: searching for sea creatures in the sand, making patterns in sand with different tools, exploring floating and sinking, discovering an egg from the sea and creating shell art using salt dough. The children will also explore the book 'One Tiny Turtle'.			
Learning Block 2 The focus of this learning block is 'Fishy Friends'. Activities will include: reading the books, 'The Rainbow Fish' and 'House for a Hermit'. The Children will explore what lives inside a shell and sharing with others. They will also decorate shells and play games that encourage counting.			
Learning Block 3 The focus of this learning block is 'Diving Deeper'. Our learning will include: making a mask and snorkel, using an iPad to explore the ocean; its treasures and life, comparing the size of different ocean creatures, listening to whale music, reading the book 'The Snail and The Whale' and using technology and books to discover facts about octopus. The children will also learn about the history of pearl diving in Qatar.			
Learning Block 4 The focus of this learning block is 'Motion in the Ocean'. Our learning will include: Parachute games, painting colourful waves, learning the 'slippery fish' and 'oh lala octopus' songs to explore the movements of creatures of the ocean. Children will explore 'Over in the Ocean' with musical instruments.			
Exit Point The children will participate in a splash day event in the outside space and explore some of Qatar's sea life including a dugong and a whale shark. We will work together to make refreshing treats to cool us down after splashing around.			