

## Under the Sea!

What a fun packed two weeks we have had exploring our Big Idea of Under The Sea. The children have loved learning all about sharks, studying their teeth and bones, painting pictures of sharks, measuring out the actual size of different types of sharks, building whale sharks in construction as well as making our own coral reefs and turning ourselves into mermaids. We have also enjoyed reading our key text Dougal's Deep Sea Diary by Simon Bartrum and have been inspired to make our own diving equipment, submarines as well as draw story maps retelling the story of what Dougal gets up to! The children were amazed to find that Dougal discovers an underwater city called Atlantis full of mermaids, mermen, octopuses, fish and even mer-cats and mer-dogs! We have painted pictures of under the sea, made our own ice cream shop in the mud kitchen as well as a beach shop in the role play! It has been such a busy and enjoyable couple of weeks! Well done everyone!

### Next week's Big Idea and Big Challenge

Next week we will be continuing to read another text by Simon Bartrum, Man on the Moon, A Day in the Life of Bob. We will be talking about space, planets and the solar system. Do you have any books about space that you could read with your child? Why not have a look at some of the planets on google and think of some words to describe them. Maybe you could make some 'moon rock cakes' with an adult or a rocket with your recycling boxes. Have fun exploring and learning!

