



# NEWS 11- JULY 2026: SUMMER TERM



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WEEK	DATE	LEARNING & INTEREST FOCUS FOR STORIES, SONGS & ACTIVITIES			CELEBRATIONS / EVENTS	wk
JULY		TOPIC: THE SEASIDE				
		CUB	BEAR	SWAN		
1	30 - 3	HOLIDAYS: At the Beach			1 <sup>st</sup> Graduation & Picnic	1
2	7 - 10					
3	14 - 17	Under the Sea				3
4	21 - 24	Focus Week: All About Me – My interests and targets				4
5	28 - 31					

## EVENTS THIS MONTH ...

**GRADUATION & PICNIC – 1<sup>st</sup> July:** Swan Graduation @ 2pm, followed by family picnic @ 3pm. Bear and cub parents are invited to join us at the Graduation Picnic.

**TOPIC – The Seaside and Under the Sea : What your child will be learning at nursery this month** ...And how you can mirror, extend & support their learning at home...

What all the children will be thinking about and learning	Home learning for the cubs ...	Home learning for the bears ...	Home learning for the swans ...
<p>What do we already know about the seaside? Who has been? What did you see? Hear? Smell? Do on the Beach? Feel dry sand and wet sand with our fingers and toes. Show how to brush sand off hands and clothes when finished.</p> <p>Exploring and looking closely at shells and pebbles, talking about size, shape and patterns.</p> <p>Talk about going on holiday, what do we need to pack? What are items used for? Will it be hot or cold there?</p> <p>Look at pictures of people swimming in the sea. What do we wear &amp; do in the sea... Act out being in the sea... jump over the waves, paddle, splash, swim, surf.</p> <p>Think about animals you might find on the beach in the rock pools and under the sea too.</p>	<p>Introduce Nursery phrases and signs at home "Holiday" and "Sea"</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>HOLIDAY</b> <small>Both flat hands facing signs start on forehead and then move forwards and twist outwards.</small></p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>SEA</b> <small>Both open hands move apart in front of body while making a wavy motion.</small></p> </div> </div> <p>Holidays may be a whole new concept to many cubs... also your cub may perhaps be unsure of the texture of sand or worried about splashing in water.</p> <p>Act out some seaside games together ... take off shoes and socks and try some paddling in water at home and trickling sand over toes.</p> <p>Practicing taking off shoes before paddling!</p> <p><b>Try making some sand castles</b> –Introduce maths language: 'full' and 'uh oh "empty"!'</p>	<p>Talk about holidays with your bear. Have you been to the seaside? Can you remember a holiday we went on ...?</p> <p>Look through photographs together to help recall a holiday...</p> <p>Role play going on holiday together with your bear. Find a case or bag ready for your trip... What do we need to pack? How will we get there? Where will we sleep? What will we do at the seaside?</p> <p>Pretend to go and paddle in the sea together.</p> <p>Practice taking off shoes, and support drying feet and trying to put shoes back on after paddling.</p> <p>Before bath time gather some different objects that will float or sink. A key, brick, cup, stone, cork, bottle ... Challenge your bear about each object and predict – will it sink or float? Then let your bear do the test – were they right?</p> <p><b>Challenge</b> - Could you use the toy boat to help the stone to float?</p>	<p>Recall past holidays together – where did you go? How did you get there? What did you take with you? What did you do on your holiday together? Have you got any holidays planned?</p> <p>Role play going on holiday together with your swan. Start with first making a packing list together. Can your swan find what you need to take and tell you why you need it? Sun cream, towel, toothbrush, passport, ...</p> <p><b>Make some time for reflection...</b></p> <p>How do you build a sandcastle? What do you do <b>first?</b> <b>Next?</b> What kind of sand is best for building a sandcastle?</p> <p>Talk about <b>STAYING SAFE</b> at the beach and in the sea and around water like rock pools. What important rules do your family have for staying safe on holiday?</p>