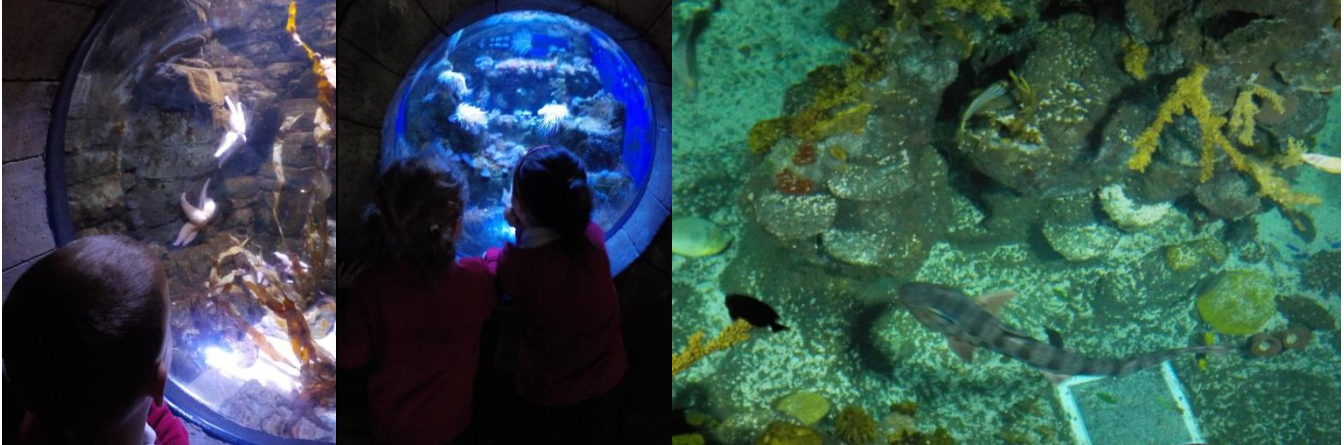
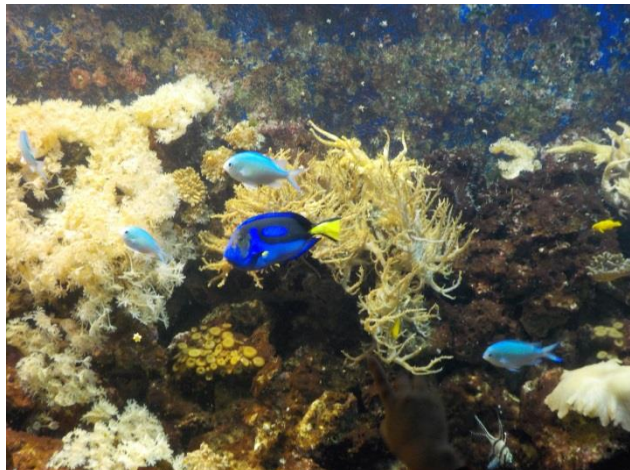


What another action packed fortnight we've had in Reception!

We all went on our first coach trip in school, to the Bristol Aquarium. There we explored and looked at lots of different sea life: tropical sharks, rays, seahorses, puffer fish, piranhas and an octopus! We wandered through the underwater tunnel and watched the fascinating marine life swim over our heads. It was lovely and warm in the Urban Jungle exhibit where all the tropical flowers grow. We stopped for a special talk at the Bay of Rays. We watched the rays being fed pieces of fish. The stingray called "Ravioli" was very hungry and he kept coming up to the surface and waving and splashing us. A little fact: stingrays are quite closely related to sharks!

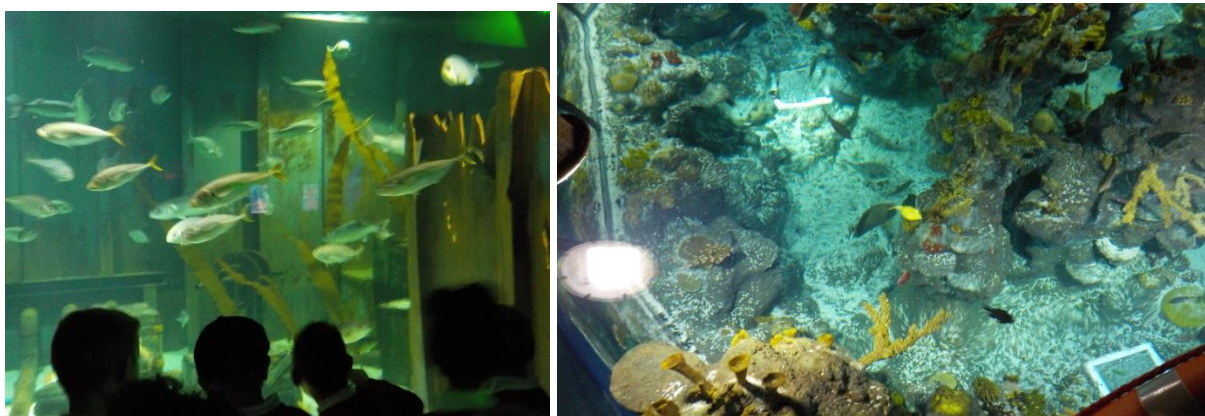


The children were extremely well behaved and had a fantastic time; they asked and answered lots of questions about what they experienced. All the children were excited when saw 'Nemo' and 'Dory' fish.



"I see a turtle Mrs Smart; I have a turtle at home." Jennifer

"Argh that fish swam fast." Zack



The children watched in awe,  
as the stingrays were being  
fed!

Thank you to all the adults, who were able to support us on this brilliant trip.

Our amazing learning didn't stop there, as we continued to learn the words and dance moves for our iSingPop experience. We have been working closely with Sandy, who taught four songs in preparation to record them onto a CD. The children were full of energy and have truly enjoyed the opportunity. They all sounded amazing and we look forward to hearing the finish product.







The children had a visit from The NED Show, which they loved. They were taught NED's key message about growth mindset where each child should:

**N**ever give up (FOCUS & PERSISTENCE)

**E**ncourage others (KINDNESS & SHARED LEARNING)

**D**o your best® (DILIGENCE & EXCELLENCE)

The children have already started to take on board this message and applied it to all areas of their learning, which is great to see!

This week is all about our 'Well –Being', where we are learning about our emotions and feelings with the help of 'Joy', 'Anger', 'Fear', 'Sadness' and 'Disgust', who are all characters from the film Inside Out. We are also creating a mood diary where throughout the day we have been checking in with each other and identifying how we are feeling using particular colours. So far most of the children have felt a mixture of happiness, excitement and tiredness. We are also busy painting pebbles inspired by the book 'Only one you', which helps to explain that we are all amazing, different and unique. The children are painting a fish, which is unique just like them. They will be used around the school in the near future, so keep a look out!



We have taken part in our first non-competitive sports day, where the children were earning points for their Space Team. The children participated in various activities such as the crab race, star jumps, bean bag throwing and many more throughout the morning. The children were supported by a Buddy in either Year 6 or Iron Class. The older children looked after our Reception children making sure they were able to earn as many points as they could for their team as well as having lots of fun in the process.

Reception have also taken part in their first competitive sports day, and we were overwhelmed by the number of adults, who came to support us. We all had so much fun despite the warm weather and it was great to see so many grown-ups cheering children on. The children showed excellent sportsmanship and they all tried their best in their races.







Amongst all of this the children have been busy working hard writing their contribution for their school report. They have been using their best handwriting, using and applying their phonic knowledge to write sentences about what they have enjoyed over this past year. It has been great to see what the children have enjoyed the most!

#### A Reminder:

Please continue reading and practising both your Maths Passports and reading rockets.

If you are sending your child into school with sun cream; please ensure that it is named and they can apply it themselves. Also with the warmer weather children may wish to bring in sun hats but please make sure they are named too.



Up and coming events:

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Disco, organised by the Calton Friends Association (CFA)

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> July Science Week

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Robinswood Hill visit, permission slips need to be returned as soon as possible.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Multi-Skills Event, permission slips need to be returned as soon as possible.