

Land Ahoy Homework

These projects are not compulsory but just give you some ideas for fun family learning. Please note the projects are left as open ended as possible so that you can go as far as you like with your child.

- Search the web or non-fiction books to find out about a famous boat or ship. Make an information book by writing down interesting facts, downloading images or making drawings. Famous ships to choose could include the Titanic, the Santa Maria, the Cutty Sark or HMS Belfast.
- Design and make your own boat to take part in a class boat race. What materials will you use? What shape will your boat be? What name will you give it?
- Visit a maritime museum, boat show, lighthouse or harbour with your family. Take lots of pictures to show and talk about at school. Maybe you could interview a family member who has worked at sea or been on a cruise and find out their experiences.
- Visit your local library to read and borrow story and information books about the sea. Write or film a book review about your favourite.
- Make your own pirate treasure chest using a lidded box and other recycled materials. What will you keep in your treasure chest? Bring it to school to show your class and explain how you made it.
- Write a letter to Captain Longbeard to tell him what you have been up to at school and home.
- Make a map of your home and local area to show all the main features. Include physical landmarks such as beaches, hills or forests as well as human features such as shops, farms or harbours. Where would be a good place to hide treasure? Can you plot a route to find it?
- Find and learn some pirate jokes. Practise reading them at home to perform in school and make your pirate friends laugh!
- Look at holiday brochures or travel websites and talk about holiday destinations around the world. Which seas or oceans are close to each destination? Locate them on a world map noting their location in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. How does the location affect the weather? What might the weather be like? Where would you most like to go?

