



Together we can make a difference
Daily Reflection Monday 8th June

World Oceans Day

Today is World Oceans Day. From both schools we can see the ocean every day!
We are thinking about our oceans and the vital part they play in our lives.
Can you think of why oceans are important?



I wonder what was on your list?

Fishing, swimming, paddling, diving, jumping over waves, fish, sea animal and plants?

Did you think about the other things the ocean does for us?

Have a look at this film to help

<https://worldoceanday.school/film/>

What have you added to your list?

Weather, ALL the water (think about that where do all rivers end up?), clean air.

Oceans are VITAL to our life on this planet.

We need to care for the ocean and make sure that we are ALL looking after this AMAZING gift.

In school we are trying to do our bit. We have taken part in beach cleans and have raised awareness through recycling and our involvement with Surfers Against Sewage.

As you know in Cornwall the ocean is home to grey seals. During the CoVID -19 pandemic grey seals have been seen more often around our coasts.



Seals spend their time in the water where they are graceful swimmers but also 'haul' themselves onto land. In quiet rocky places you can see them basking in the sunshine. During Spring time, grey seals will moult their fur. They do this while sitting on the rocks.

They are well camouflaged against the grey rocks.

It is REALLY important to be VERY quiet when you spot a seal on the rocks. If they are disturbed then they will panic and try to get back into the sea. If their moulting is interrupted this can shorten their life span and also if a seal is scared and panics, then they can throw themselves off the rocks causing injury as they struggle to get back into the water.

So SHHHHHHHHH when you see seals.



Can you find out more about grey seals in Cornwall?

<https://www.cornwallsealgroup.co.uk/>

Can you find out more about the oceans around us?

Can you make a poster about the things the ocean does? Please email these to your teacher.

Can you go for a beach clean? (remember to wear gloves and check with adult before you pick anything up)?

Dear God,

Thank you for the oceans teeming with amazing sea life..

Help us to respect and look after the oceans and protect your beautiful world,

AMEN

**Thanks to Coby in reception class at St Mary's for these photos*