

**Key Vocabulary that will be used throughout the topic:**

Country

Continent

Sea

Ocean

Beach

Shore

Sand

Wave/Waves

Creatures

Environment

Shells

Seaweed

Seabed

Submarine

Same

Different

**Under the Sea**

**Summer 1 2025**

**Beesley Class**

**Talking Mat**

The big question:

**What creatures live under water?**

**How to use this talking mat at home?**

For each topic we cover in EYFS we will be sending a copy of this talking mat home. There will also be a copy on Seesaw and the school website for you to access.

As the children will be learning lots of new words we have decided to send home a vocabulary list of words that we will be teaching for you too to use at home.

In addition we have added key talking points for you to consider sharing with your child to be used as a discussion and to aid with their understanding. You may to support your child with key speaking skills- speaking in full sentences, adding in detail and speaking clearly.

**Can you help your child to answer?**

- Which animals live by the sea? (UW- Science)
- What is your favourite sea creature?
- Looking at pictures from books, can your child talk about what they can see?
- How do we take care of our environment? (PSED/ UW)
- How could we travel under the sea? (PD/PSED/UW)
- What are the differences between under the sea and where I live? (UW- Geography)
- What do we find at the beach? (UW- Science)
- What can we make with sand? (PD/ EAD)

**Talking points at home:**

- Look at sea creatures - using books & pictures - what would it feel like to be one of these creatures?
- Talk about experiences when you may have visited the seaside/ been in the sea.