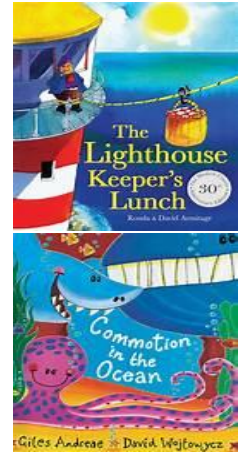




# Foundation Stage News

## St Francis Class



**Week Beginning: 1/6/26**

Our new topic for this half term is 'Beside the Seaside.'

For the next coming weeks we are focussing on lighthouses and sea animals. The book that will help us with our learning is 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch' by Rhonda Armitage. We will be writing a shopping list for the Lighthouse Keeper, Mr Grinling's lunch. It may include mustard sandwiches! The other book we will use is 'Commotion in the Ocean' by Giles Andreae. We will write sentences to describe a range of sea animals.

**The phonics we will be learning are:-**

*ay, ou, ie, ea, oy, ir, ue, aw*

We are learning that two letters that make one sound are called '**digraphs**'. We are also learning that three letters that make one sound are called '**trigraphs**'.

We are working on using our letter sound knowledge independently in our reading and writing.

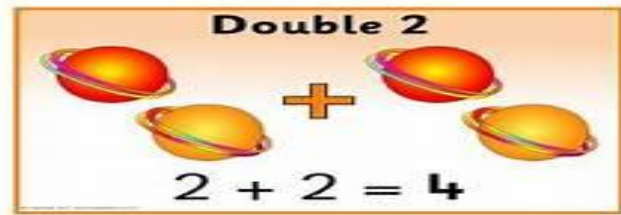


Please use the links below to watch video clips which may help you with how to 'say the sounds' if you are unsure:

- [Phase 2 Pronunciation on Vimeo](#)
- [Phase 3 Pronunciation \(vimeo.com\)](#)
- [Phase 5 Pronunciation on Vimeo](#)

**Maths:**

In Maths we have been learning about 'doubling' and 'sharing and grouping'. We have learnt that 'double' means 'twice as many'. We have been learning to add the double.



We will learn about 'sharing and grouping' by sharing out objects into equal groups and checking that everyone has the same amount.



**Goodbye...**

Miss Boshier (our student teacher) is coming to the end of her school placement with us on 11<sup>th</sup> June. I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to her for being a super part of the team. We wish her every success in her future.

Here is a reminder of how we write our letters in school.

**CHALLENGE** - Can they have a go at writing our phonics sounds?

