

# The Coastal Federation

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'together aspire, together achieve, together we are stronger...'

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Dear Parent/Carer

Your child has been invited to work on a computer based package called Nessy. Nessy has been developed to rapidly improve children's reading and spelling ability. It is easy and fun for the children to use.

We will carry out initial assessments in School but then we would encourage the children to have a go at home in their own time. It can be accessed through tablets, computers, laptops and phones.

At School we will receive weekly updates on the children's progress. **Please do not aid them in any way as this can skew their progress and potentially set targets which do not meet their needs.**

If you do not wish for your child to use Nessy please let Mrs Webster in the Office know.

We will be sending further information to you, including log in details, once all of the children have been set up on the system. If you have any further questions and concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

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## How it Works

- **Assessment Tools:** Students begin by taking the Nessy Challenge to establish their baseline reading and spelling ability. The program then automatically assigns personalised reading and spelling targets.
- **Reporting:** Reporting delivers performance data and analysis in a simple to understand format, and colour-coding allows teachers to immediately identify and target areas of individual difficulty. What's more, the initial evaluation helps to create a baseline score upon which progress is measured.
- **Individualised Approach:** Working independently, students' progress through a series of strategy videos, games and worksheets to complete their personal targets.
- **Rewards:** Student progress is rewarded by completing fun game-like activities that then unlock new games, characters and magical worlds.
- **Development:** After completing initial targets, students are reassessed, and new targets are set. Students continue working through the ten islands rapidly developing essential reading & spelling skills, whilst having fun!
- **Strategies:** Within the animations, Nessy embeds memory strategies that help students encode important rules.

**“Let everyone know that I think Nessy is wonderful! We have used it in so many ways!**

**The kids love it because of the games and funny characters!**

**They actually don't realise that they are learning.”**

**–Christy Harrison**