

It's Summer - Hooray!



Welcome to Virtual Messy Church for July.



Previously we have held Messy Church on Gylly Beach in July, with barbecue sausages for breakfast, and lots of activities involving the beach and the sea.

Sadly, we can't do that this year, but we hope that you enjoy the following story, activities and songs.

Jesus calms the Storm



It had been a beautiful day, and Jesus had been preaching to crowds of people, and he was tired. So he and his friends got into their boat and set sail for home. Jesus was soon fast asleep in the back.



Then suddenly a wild wind sprung up and stirred up tall and stormy waves. The boat rocked very hard and was nearly overwhelmed by the waves. Jesus' friends were very scared that they would all drown, so they woke up Jesus.



He looked around and saw what was happening, then he calmly stood up and spoke to the wind and waves. "Quiet now, settle down" he said. And they did! Then Jesus said to his friends "You didn't need to be frightened, all you had to do was trust me. See, everything is calm".



Here is a song for you all to sing:

**With Jesus in the boat we can smile
through the storm**

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Can you say -
**"She sells seashells
 on the sea shore"**
5 times quickly.



That is called a 'tongue twister'.

Do you know any others to share with us?

What are these photos of?



The one on the left is a MAZE, and the other one is a LABYRINTH.

Why don't you look up what is the difference between them?

Is there a maze near where you live?

You can practice making a labyrinth at home on paper; then next time you go to the beach, you can draw a big one in the sand, or make it with pebbles or shells.

This is what to do:



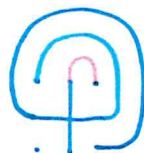
Draw a small plus sign on your paper,
 about a third of the way down the page.
 (You'll need space above it.)



Draw a dot in each 'corner' as if you were to draw a square around the plus sign

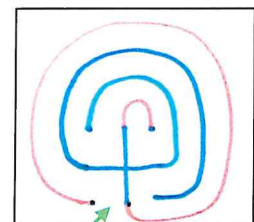


Draw an upside down 'u' shape, connecting the top of the plus with the dot to the right of it.
 Moving clockwise, connect the next open dot to the left to the end of the right side of the plus.



Draw a line from the bottom right dot all the way around the outside to the left side of the plus sign

Finally draw a line from the last open spot round the outside of everything to the bottom of the plus sign.



ENTRANCE



We won't be sending out a virtual Messy Church in August, but we plan to be back in some form in September.

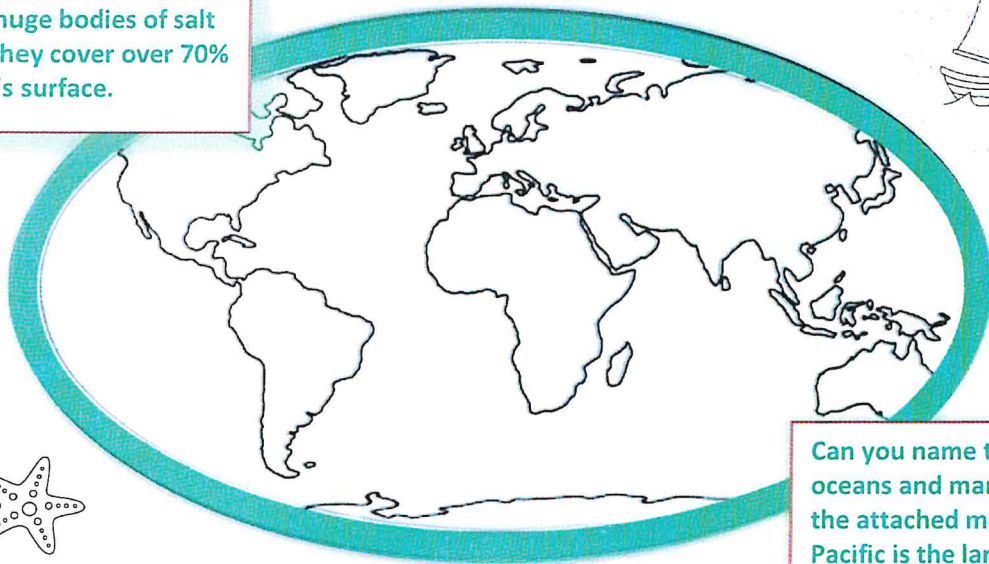


Have a lovely summer.

Oceans Challenge - Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Southern, Arctic.
 Maze - Labyrinth - A Maze is a confusing pathway that has many branches, choices of path and dead-ends. A Labyrinth has a single through route with twists & turns, but no branches.

Answers:

Oceans are huge bodies of salt water, and they cover over 70% of the earth's surface.



Can you name the five oceans and mark them on the attached map? The Pacific is the largest and the Arctic is the smallest

Which Boat to be in?



Draw this boat in a calm sea.

Draw a storm around this boat

