

## **Marine Biologist for a day**

This program is designed for children who are passionate about marine animals and want to learn all about them in a fun, interactive environment.

They'll find out lots of interesting facts about all sorts of creatures while gaining a deeper understanding of human impact on the ocean.

### **What to expect from Marine Biologist for a day:**

#### **9am Welcome Introduction**

- Get to know our presenter as they get to know each of the participants in a relaxed introduction session.

#### **9.15 JAWS – A favourite for us and the children!**

- This in-depth presentation aims to give a greater understanding of sharks, exposing the negative myths so often associated with them.
- We'll look at a variety of different shark jaws to determine what each one's dietary needs are, and which ones are dangerous to humans.
- We also cover why sharks sometimes attack us and give clear safety tips.

#### **10.40 Morning Tea**

- Children are asked to bring their own morning tea.
- A shaded area is available to eat in & bathroom facilities are close by.

#### **11.00 Ocean Life Discovery – meeting our animal ambassadors!**

- This is where the children get to interact with our live animals, gently touching them while learning information about:
  - Animal physiology – why they look and feel the way they do.
  - What their diet is and how they eat it.
  - Their role in the environment & why we need to protect them.

### **12.30pm Lunch**

- Children are asked to bring their own lunch.
- A shaded area is available to eat in & bathroom facilities are close by. - The children are given time to run around, while fully supervised.

### **1.00 Human Impact – Learning how to be Protectors of the Ocean!**

- An important insight into the effect we humans are having on our oceans and the animals who live there, with a focus on Coral Bleaching and Plastic Pollution.
- We look at every day changes we can make to be better global citizens

### **1.45 KTK – Kids Teaching Kids – Learning from Each Other!**

- The children break into small groups and interact with our animal ambassadors again while sharing what they've learnt with each other – this helps them to remember all the interesting facts they've heard during the day!

### **2.00 Showcase KTP – Kids Teaching Parents – Sharing their Passion!**

- A chance to impress (and educate!) their parents with all their newfound knowledge while introducing them to the animals. Enjoy their enthusiasm and don't worry there is no exam at the end!
- A short summary of the day will be given by the presenter followed by the presentation of certificates showing your child has become a Marine Biologist for a Day!

### **2.30 Home time – with heads crammed full of fun facts!**