**INSPIRATION BLUEPRINT**

**BLOG COPY – BEACH**

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**Title:** Fun at the beach: from buried treasure to bubbling volcanoes

**Body Copy:**

A small dose of imagination can transform any environment. A beach can be so much more than just a pile of sand – with just a little inspiration it becomes an amazing place to play.

So let’s get outside, have some fun, and maybe even pick up some skills along the way – after all, there’s so much we can learn outdoors.

**Subtitle:** Beach scavenger hunt

We all know the beach is the best place for buried treasure. So let your little one explore and get creative with a simple scavenger hunt – everything you need is all around you.

* Start by searching all over the beach. Anything can be treasure, from shells to starfish and crabs to coral. If you’re lucky you might even find some pirate gold
* Then take your favourite finds and put them in a special memory box to take home
* An egg carton makes a great treasure box – use the little compartments to keep everything safe and secure
* Once you’ve sorted all your treasure, you can even paint your box in different colours, or decorate it to look like a pirate chest

**Subtitle:** Make a sand volcano

You’ve heard of building sand castles on the beach, well why not try a sand volcano instead. They might need a little more preparation, but they’re so much more exciting. And it’s a secret science lesson too, but even this one’s best outside the classroom.

* First, take a beach bucket, any will do (but the taller it is the higher the volcano) and pack sand on top and all around it
* Then shape the top of the volcano into a crater by digging out the sand at the top
* Pour a cup of baking soda through your crater into the bucket beneath
* Now the real fun begins: slowly pour in some vinegar and watch as the volcano erupts.
* Make it even more fun by adding a few drops of food colouring to the vinegar to change the colour of your lava
* Keep topping up the baking soda and vinegar to keep your volcano erupting again and again

Feeling inspired? Let’s get outside and get playing.

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