



# Year 2 Curriculum Letter

## Spring 2018 Second Half Term

### Week 12 International Week

#### **Week 12 International Week Geography Focus**

During International Week, each classroom in the school will be transformed into a country. The children will spend time in each 'country' learning about the country and the customs.

The children will be considering the features of Wallington and understanding geographical similarities and differences through comparing Wallington to other places. They will also use atlases and globes to understand where countries are located in relation to the United Kingdom.

**English:** Using information in books or their own experiences the children will write a non-chronological report about a country of their choice, either a country they have visited or a country they would like to visit.

**Maths: Mental Maths:** The children will develop their estimation skills, then ensure they are counting accurately by grouping into sets such as tens or fives.

Colour	Number of Smarties	Frequency
Green		7
Orange		8
Blue		5
Pink		6
Yellow		11
Red		8
Purple		7
Brown		3
Key  = 2 smarties		

**Number:** The children will use their skills to solve problems. Reading the problem carefully and selecting the appropriate skills needed for that mathematical concept.

**Statistics:** The children will be interpreting and constructing simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and tables. They will ask and answer simple questions by counting the number of objects in each category and sorting the categories by quantity. The children will be totalling and comparing data. The children will also explore block diagrams

where one square represents more than one unit of data.

**Computing:** The children will use pre-selected websites to gather information about a country of their choice. Having read the information they will record facts they have discovered about each country.



**Physical Education:** Respond to music from around the world through gesture and sequenced movements. The children will also take part in an African dancing workshop with the IROKO Theatre Company.

**Religious Education:** The children will review their knowledge of how the Christian festival of Easter is celebrated. They will explore the difference between how some aspects of celebrating are religious celebrations and some are not.

#### **Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education (PSHCE):**

Explore customs from around the world and consider the things in each country's customs which are similar and those which vary around the world.

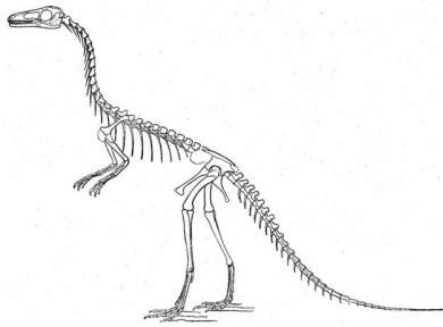
**Music:** The children will listen to and explore the characteristics of music from countries around the world. They will express preferences about the music listened to and explain why. All the children will also take part in an African drumming workshop with the IROKO Theatre Company.



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# Dinosaur Planet

As part of the **Engage** stage of our next topic Dinosaur Planet, the children are going to use twigs to create a skeleton outline of a dinosaur.



The children will use their measuring skills to measure each bone on a large outline and then mark this measurement on a twig. They will then learn how to safely saw the twigs to create bones of the required size.

We would like some helpers to join us for the sessions.

The sessions are:

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1.30pm – 3.00pm
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 9.15am – 11.15am
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 1.30pm – 3.00pm
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 9.15am – 10.30am

Please see separate letter.

## Dates for your diary

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March Children are welcome to wear clothes from around the world or mufti on the last day of term. The children are also welcome to wear their uniform if they prefer.

Last day of Term Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March, term ends at 1.30pm



Year Two Team