

Year 1 Term – Spring 1

This term we will be learning...

About the United Kingdom. We will be using world maps, atlases and globes to identify the UK and its countries.

We will also be naming, locating and identifying characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK.

In particular, we will use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical and human features.

We will also use simple field work and observation skills to study the key human and physical features of the surrounding environment.

The United Kingdom



Educational Visits

The ArcelorMittal Orbit
(Stratford)

Key Information

We will be learning about the following:

The United Kingdom is made up of four separate countries; England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

In every country there is a place which makes the laws for the rest of the country. These are called capital cities. They are where most people live so they are bigger than other places. On a map, capital cities are marked with a different symbol.

London, Cardiff, Edinburgh and Belfast are the capital cities of the UK. They each have famous landmarks.

London, the capital city of England, is known for its famous landmarks. Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, the London Eye, the O2, Houses of Parliament and the Tower of London are just some of them. They can be seen across the Thames River.

English

- In Reading pupils will be learning to retrieve information from key texts, order events and infer on the basis of why events have happened.
In Writing pupils will learn to write simple sentences, punctuate using full stops and capital letters and use adjectives and verbs in their writing.

These half terms key texts are:

The Bog Baby: Jeanne Willis, The Lighthouse Keeper's lunch: Ronda Armitage

Science

Seasonal changes: Observing rain and plants in the spring season.

Animals Including Humans: We will be identifying parts of the human body and animal bodies. We will also be grouping and sorting animals.

Mathematics

Number: Addition and Subtraction Pupils will learn to:

- Find number bonds for numbers within 20
- Compare number bonds
- Addition: counting on, adding together and adding more
- Subtraction: taking away and counting back
- Comparing addition and subtraction statements.

Number: Place value

- Multiples of 2, 5 and 10.

Computing

Coding

Pupils will explore software and language related to coding. We will begin the topic by navigating ourselves and others. We will also be learning about commands and directions.

Pupils will continue to develop their basic computing skills such and navigating the mouse and typing.

You might like to join in with our learning at home by:

Reading

Read our English texts at the library or access through YouTube.

Watching

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/weather/8128646> - What is the weather like in Plaistow?

Doing

Practise counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10.

Visiting

Famous Landmarks around London. Which are your favourite and why?