

# Year 2 INSPIRE Curriculum Newsletter – Spring 1

In our Geography lessons, Year 2 will be learning about the country of India. They will locate India on a world map, identifying the continent of Asia and the surrounding oceans and sea. The children will explore key physical and human features and why these landmarks are special. Year 2 will also explore Bollywood and Kathak styles of dance in a workshop. This workshop will develop the children's knowledge about the Indian culture.

Our crucial curriculum content for this topic is:

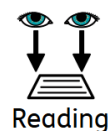
- To find India on a map
- To talk about three of the physical features in India
- To talk about two of the human features in India



Geography



India



Reading



Writing

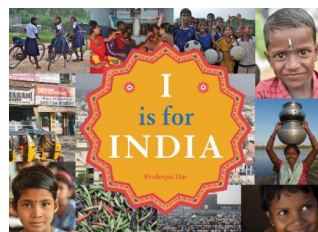


Art

We will be reading some new fiction books and non-fiction texts to build our vocabulary and reading skills this term.

In writing lessons, we will write a postcard about a trip to India and write a non-chronological report about India, using our geographical knowledge. This unit will build our confidence in the writing skills we already have and introduce new writing skills to help us use more varied language in our writing.

In Art lessons, we will be learning about the artist Ranbir Kaur. We will be exploring digital art and Rangoli patterns using different materials. We will also be developing our understanding of complimentary colours.



INSPIRE - Investigate

Nurture

Skills

Practical

Imaginative

Reflect

Enjoy



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Science

In Science lessons, we will be learning all about materials and their properties. We will look at classifying materials and how they change under different circumstances.



music

In Music lessons, we will explore changing pitch, steady beats and rhythm patterns.



PE

In PE lessons, we will be exploring our ball skills by practising rolling, kicking, dribbling, throwing, catching and balancing the ball. We will also explore fitness with Soccer Stars.



PSHE

In PSHE, we will be thinking about how our bodies grow and change. We will discuss respecting differences and embracing similarities.



RE

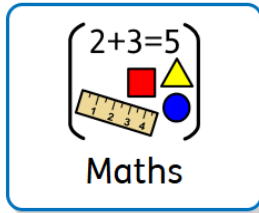
In RE, we will learn about Islam and answer the enquiry question who is God to Muslims?.



Computing

In Computing, we will learn about how to make music using Purple Mash.

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In maths, we will be building upon the skills children learnt in Autumn 2, focusing on shape and money through the White Rose Maths curriculum.

Key learning includes:

- Recognising 2-D shapes
- Recognising 3-D shapes
- Describing shape properties (sides, vertices, faces, edges)
- Identifying lines of symmetry
- Recognise coins and notes
- Add money
- Compare amounts
- Find change
- Solve simple money problems

Children will use practical resources and pictorial representations to deepen their understanding. Reasoning and problem-solving activities will help develop fluency and confidence with numbers.

This term, we will fulfil the pledge 'Be a performer' by participating in an Indian dance workshop as part of our Geography lessons.

1. Be safe, happy and healthy
2. Be a fundraiser
3. **Be a performer**
4. Be an eco-warrior
5. Be respectful
6. Be a volunteer
7. Be democratic
8. Be an adventurer
9. Be an expert learner
10. Be workwise

