Our topic is

'Here, There and Everywhere'

We will travel around the world, visit all the continents and learn about different cultures. We will listen to music and stories, handle artefacts, explore art and experience different foods. We will also become 'planet protectors' and consider small things we can do to help look after our wonderful world.

Here are just some of the things we will be learning...

English

- sharing and discussing books about the places we visit
- daily phonics for reading and spelling
- rules for making plurals and adding ed, ing, er and est to root words (e.g. helped, helping, stopped, stopping)
- use of question marks, exclamation marks and commas in lists
- use of conjunctions (e.g. and, but, so, because)
- apostrophe to show missing letters (Year 2)
- writing simple stories, postcards, instructions, information texts

Mathematics

- addition and subtraction in the context of money
- counting from 0 in steps of 2, 5 and 10 (Year 1)
- understand and use multiplication and division signs (Year 2)
- multiplication and division facts for 2 times table (Year 2)
- recognise and use fractions $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ (Year 1) plus 1/3, 2/4 and $\frac{3}{4}$ (Year 2)
- tell time to hour and half past (Year 1) and quarter to/past (Year 2)

Science

- winter welly walks to learn about seasonal change
- planting seeds and bulbs and observing them grow
- investigating a variety of everyday materials and their uses
- finding out how the shapes of some solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching

History/Geography

- use maps and atlases to locate and name continents, oceans and countries visited
- · history of flight, Wright brothers and Amy Johnson

Art and Design/Design Technology

- African weaving
- Aboriginal art
- Chinese art as part of Chinese New Year Celebrations
- Design and make a pizza

Music

- listening to music from around the world
- singing topic related songs plus songs to support English and maths learning

Computing

 using video to capture moving images - producing a video recipe for making pizza

Physical development

- gymnastics/target skills
- Y2 swimming

RE/PSHE

- Stories about Jesus as a young boy
- Holy Week
- Focus on relationships building and maintaining relationships with a range of people

Special events

- Role Play Day aeroplane flight to mystery destination
- Chinese New Year celebrate in a day!

What can you do at home?

- listen to your child read every day and talk about the book
- visit the library to find topic related texts for you to share
- help your child complete weekly spelling homework, practise spellings from the Year 1 and Year 2 common word list
- play Sumdog <u>www.sumdog.com</u>
- count in 2s, 5s and 10s (year 1)
- learn facts in the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables (year 2)

If you have any pictures, artefacts or experiences to share from your travels around the globe we would love to hear from you!

