

Geography-Australia They will find out that ...

There are 7 continents on the Earth: North America, South America, Antarctica, Asia, Africa, Europe and Australasia. Australia is Part of Australasia. The United Kingdom is made of 4 countries: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Australia is the biggest island in the world. Australia is in the Pacific and Indian Oceans. Australia has lots of landmarks including; Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge, The Great Barrier Reef and Uluru. Because of the Geographical features Australia has different animals to other parts of the world. No-where else on earth has marsupials or the duck billed platypus. It is a land of contrast; deserts, coast, mountains and rainforest. Bushfires are common due to the weather / land conditions

EXPERIENCES - We will be talking to a person who lived in Australia via a video link.

SCIENCE

Materials

Children will find out how materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

Children will compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.

You might want to talk to your child about what they might wear to keep dry in the rain (waterproof materials)

Design & Technology

Children will be investigating different types of bridges. They will begin by looking at the structure of Sydney Harbour Bridge. They will then design and build their own bridges using a variety of materials.

Year 1 and 2 Spring Term 2020

Topic: Life Down Under

COMPUTING- CODING

Children will learn to control motion by specifying the number of steps to travel, direction and turn.

Children will control when drawings appear and set the pen colour, size and shape.

They will add text strings, show and hide objects and change the features of an object.

RE How and why are some books Holy?

Children will know that the Bible is the holy book used by Christians.

They will know that the Bible is full of stories (parables), poems and wise sayings.

They will know that he Guru Granth Sahib is the holy book used by Sikhs.

They will know that the Qu'ran is the holy book used by Muslims.

INSPIRE Workshops –9.05am

Year 2 Mrs Fryer- 17.3.20

Year 1 and 2-Mrs Jones 10.3.20

Year 1 Mrs Westwood- 25.2.20

Assemblies

Year 1 and 2 Mrs Jones 5.2.20

Year 1 Mrs Westwood 18.3.20

KEY TEXTS

Diary of a Wombat by Jackie French

Baby Wombat's Week by Jackie French.

A Visit to Australia by Rachael Bell

Australia by Sean McCollum

Please read regularly with your child at home as this will help to support their writing.

You might want to visit your local library to find some non-fiction books about Australia

PSHE THEMES

We will be following the behaviour charter as part of the school policy.

We will be fundraising to support the bushfires in Australia and linking with our school value of Caring

Relationships

We will be looking at different types of feelings and special people in our lives. Discussing the importance of not keeping adults' secrets, only surprises. Understanding about appropriate and inappropriate touch. To know that teasing and bullying are not acceptable.

