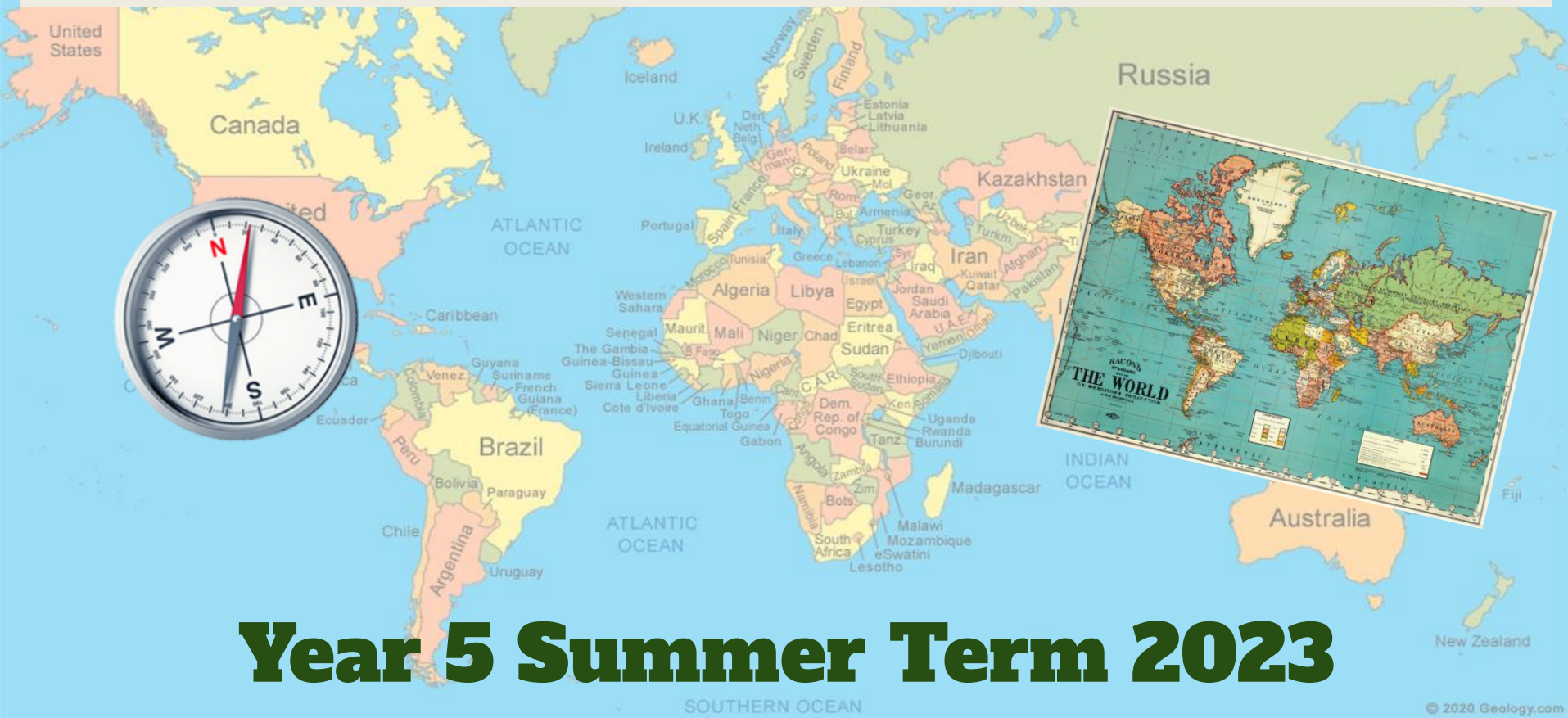


Let The Adventure Begin!



Year 5 Summer Term 2023

Topic Overview

In this exciting whole school topic, the children will become explorers and travel to different places around the world.

We begin with our Stunning Start on Monday 17th April, where we will simulate taking a flight to Brasília, the capital of Brazil. The children will each have a passport, which will be stamped when we arrive in each new location.

The teachers and support staff will be their cabin crew!

When we arrive in Brasília, we will begin to get a feel for this vibrant city. We will learn about a Brazilian artist and replicate some of their art, we will explore the history of samba music and we will even sample some Brazilian food!

Later on in the term, we will travel to India and explore by comparing its geography with Brazil and then learning about its history - the Indus Valley civilisation.

During our maths day, the children will explore the environmental impact of travelling to these countries by aeroplane, by calculating the carbon emissions. They will then compare this with travelling by other means, and also weigh this up against the time it would take!



English

Our English lessons (both reading and writing) will revolve around the texts 'Spin to Survive: Deadly Jungle' by Emily Hawkins and 'When the Mountains Roared' by Jess Butterworth. These incredibly exciting texts will inspire the children, and immerse them in writing projects. We are also incredibly lucky to have the opportunity to 'virtually' meet both authors this term!

History

In history this term, we will be learning about the Indus Valley civilisation, who originated in modern-day India and Pakistan.

Music

In music, we will learn about Motown music. We will be listening and appraising 'Dancing in the Street' by Martha and the Vandellas. There will be singing and opportunities to play along using instruments.

Art and DT

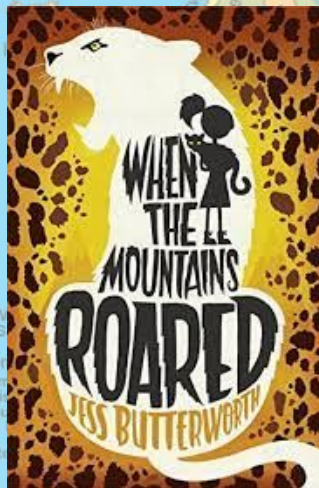
During our DT lessons, we will be practicing our sewing skills and making our very own drawstring bags fit for an explorer. In art, we will be looking at famous artists in India and conducting an artist study.

Geography

Alongside learning about rivers, we will also learn about the geography of South America and India. We will compare the Amazon River (in Brazil) with Ganges River (in India). We will also look at weather and climate in Brazil, India and the UK.

Computing

During computing lessons, we will be learning about how to be a web developer! We will begin by exploring different websites and search engines and then will finally have a go at creating our own web page.



Mathematics

We will begin to revisit some of the maths covered last term, as well as focusing on area and perimeter, volume and roman numerals. Any practise and support the children can get with their times tables will be of the utmost importance, as these come into so many other areas (including fractions and telling the time).

Science

Our Summer Term science will focus on 'Living Things and their Habitats'. During the unit, we will learn about and compare the life cycles and habitats of a range of living things. We will even watch caterpillars transform into butterflies!

PSHCE

This term we will be focusing on 'Protective behaviours' by learning about what makes us feel good and feel safe, as well as learning more about puberty within our relationships and sex education unit.

French

We will be asking questions about someone's identity and learning to describe the planets. We will also be persuading people to visit the seaside!

P.E.

Portland Road will be taking part in Outdoor and Adventurous Activities, handball, rounders and athletics. Holland Road will be working on their badminton skills for their indoor PE session and their striking and fielding skills for outdoor PE.

Religious Education

During the term, we shall be exploring the following questions:

What do different people believe about God?

What does it mean to be a Buddhist in Britain today?



TAKE HOME TASKS



Research and present

- **Write a diary entry for an explorer - what do they do on a typical day? This could also be presented as a comic strip.**
- **Explain how people in ancient Indus Valley civilisation used to survive and how they settled in this area of the world.**
- **Research a traditional Brazilian or Indian recipe. Have a go at making the recipe and remember to take lots of pictures!**
- **Find out about one of the following explorers: Isabella Bird, Colonel Percy Fawcett, Sacagawea, Ernest Shackleton or Amelia Earhart. Where in the world did they explore? Why are they well remembered?**
- **Research other books by Emily Hawkins or Jess Butterworth (authors of our English texts).**

Design and make

- **Produce a quiz, fact file or a board game on the Indus Valley civilisation**
- **Make some top trump cards on different explorers. Which is the most heroic?**
- **Design a percussion instrument that could be used in a samba band**
- **Make a Brazilian cake**
- **Create a diorama of the water cycle**
- **Make a poster or a 3D model about Brazil or India**
- **Design and build something that would help you survive in the jungle (a mini raft or shelter for example)**



Fortnightly home learning tasks

Children will be set fortnightly home learning tasks which they will be expected to complete by the following Wednesday. These will comprise of a spelling task, a maths task and an English based task, which may have a reading focus or a creative writing focus. We are attempting to develop pupil resilience and encourage them to take risks so even if they are unsure of an answer, we would like them to make an attempt. These tasks may be completed in the Google Classroom or on paper.

Take Home Tasks

A sheet of suggested take home tasks is included. Children can choose an activity from these to complete alongside their home learning. During this term, please try to encourage your child to complete as many of the tasks as possible in an imaginative way. These tasks are designed to be family projects where all members of the family can get involved with bringing our current topic to life at home. We would suggest that you try to complete at least two of these tasks during the term.

You could also come up with ideas of your own.

The tasks can be completed/uploaded in the Google Classroom if you wish.

Thank you ever so much for your continued help and support with your child's learning.

PE will take place on the following days (please wear your PE kit to school on these days):

5 Amber: Mondays and Wednesdays

5 Sapphire: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

5 Green: Wednesdays

5 Red: Thursdays in Summer 1 and Mondays in Summer 2

5 Yellow: Thursdays

5 Blue: Tuesdays



School Term and Holiday Dates 2022/2023



	September 2022					October 2022					November 2022					December 2022						
Monday		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24			7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26	
Tuesday		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27	
Wednesday		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28	
Thursday		8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	
Friday		9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	
Saturday		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31
Sunday		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	

	January 2023						February 2023						March 2023						April 2023					
Monday		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24			
Tuesday		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25			
Wednesday		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26			
Thursday		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27			
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Saturday		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29			
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30			

	May 2023					June 2023					July 2023					August 2023					
Monday	1	8	15	22	29		12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
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Key

- Bank and public holidays (see details below)
- School holidays
- Inset days 5

- First day of term for pupils
- Last day of term

Bank and Public Holidays 2022/23

Number of statutory school days (total requirement 195)

Christmas Day BH	Tuesday 27th December 2022	Autumn 1st half	37
Boxing Day	Monday 26th December 2022	Autumn 2nd half	35
New Year's Day BH	Monday 2nd January 2023	Spring 1st half	29
Good Friday	Friday 17th April 2023	Spring 2nd half	30
Easter Monday	Monday 10th April 2023	Summer 1st half	29
May Day	Monday 1st May 2023	Summer 2nd half	35
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 29th May 2023		
Summer Bank Holiday	Monday 28th August 2023		
		TOTAL	195 days
		(includes 5 INSET days)	