



Topic

In topic this half term, we are focussing on comparing the city of Rio De Janeiro and town of Lytham St Annes. We will be using our map skills to locate these places using atlases and then look at map symbols in both locations, seeing if there are any similarities. We will also look at how the sunny climate affects how people live in Rio compared to the colder climate in Lytham. We will finish our Geography unit by looking into the famous festivals in each location and even learn some Portuguese along the way!

A big focus this half term will be letting our creative juices flow! We will be recreating beach huts using a printing and rolling technique on polystyrene. Our Design and Technology unit this half-term is making puppets. We will be learning to sew felt together and then create a character to use in our very own Year 2 puppet show.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 10th June - Lytham beach trip
Tuesday 22nd July - break up for Summer

PE

In PE this half-term, we are going to be focusing on our Sports Day preparation. We will focus on our throwing skills and hand eye coordination.

BEACHES AROUND THE WORLD

We are going to be visiting beaches around the world this half-term. Our learning will take us from the sandy, beautiful beaches of Rio de Janeiro to the slightly colder but still beautiful beach of Lytham St Annes. We will be learning about the landscape and culture of both places. We will link the majority of our learning to this topic and hope that the children will enjoy learning about the coastline both close to home and further away.

RE

This half term we will be learning about the journey to Hajj in Mecca. We will start by looking at journeys and why they are important. We will then have the opportunity to question someone who has completed the journey to Mecca.

PSHE

Our PSHE unit for Summer 2 will be: 'Growing and Changing'. Within the unit we will be learning about emotional and physical changes as children grow; the need for privacy, change and transition in life.

English

To fit with our forthcoming trip, the children will start the term writing a leaflet all about Lytham. They will be thinking carefully about their audience and purpose. Writing will then be linked to the book 'Flotsam'. We will be focusing on our imaginative, descriptive writing, bringing all the skills that have been taught in Year 2 together. The children will be creating their own underwater world and use descriptive language to describe it.

Science

In our Science unit, we will be looking at mature plants. We will look at how you can identify healthy and unhealthy plants and what plants need to grow. We have some exciting lessons planned with lots of experiments. We will break down what plants need and focus on each need in each lesson, setting up experiments that require us to track their progress.

We will use some cross-curricular links from Maths to show our findings on graphs.

Maths

This half term we will start by looking at statistics, learning how to draw and read a table. We will then move onto mass, capacity and temperature. Looking into how we can measure using different units. After, we will investigate length and height and begin to order them, again looking at the different units. Finally, we will recap position and direction, we will look at the language we use to describe turns, movements and positioning. Please ensure your child continues to play TTRS.