Reception

Term 5 topic: Around the World



As a young person, it is important to know our place in the world and how our cultures and traditions differ from those who live in other countries. We will begin this topic by thinking about local geography and features of our city, Bristol. We will then explore two countries from separate continents - Japan and Mexico. The children will then be able to say what is the same, what is different and draw comparisons between these three countries. Our study of Japan and Mexico will encompass a wide range of topics including art, music, language, food, traditional stories, clothing, history, geography and more. Using books and experiences as inspiration, we will be writing about what we have learned. One example of this is writing a recipe to make sushi after we ourselves have had a go in the classroom.

Reception: Around the World/ Early Years Foundation Stage links

	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Physical Development
•	I know how to make friends to stop myself from feeling lonely	Real PE focus: ball skills
٠	I can think of ways to solve problems and stay friends	Scissor skills
٠	I am starting to understand the impact of unkind words	Fine motor skills
•	I can use Calm Me time to manage my feelings	Pencil control
•	I know how to be a good friend	 Exploring the Forest School environment and using tools
•	Zones of Regulation	
	Communication and Language	Literacy
•	Philosophy questions - do we need cars? Should trees be cut down to make paper? Is it ok to waste water? Do you think it's wrong to waste food? Should we eat animals?	 Phase 3 and 4 Phonics Handwriting Letter formation Writing a list of ingredients and recipe Story based writing tasks Focus texts: Goram and Ghyston the Bristol Giants, Japanese Children's Favourite Stories Anthology, Elena's Serenade
	Mathematics	Understanding the World
• • •	Building numbers beyond 10 Counting patterns beyond 10 Adding more Taking away Spatial reasoning	 Local geography - Bristol World geography - Japan, Mexico Animals Japanese and Mexican cooking - sushi and bean chilli Languages - Japanese and Spanish RE - how do we celebrate our journey through life? Why are stories special? World festivals
Expressive Arts and Design		Key vocabulary
•	Origami The Great Wave	Country, continent, map, world, geography, culture, history, art, language, similarity, difference, compare/comparison, Japanese and Spanish words

