



**Topic:**

Where in the world are we?

**Class: Donaldson**

**Rights Respecting School CLASS CHARTER**

**We have the right to:**

- To feel happy
- To feel safe
- To learn

- To be listened to
- To be respected
- To have friends

**We have the responsibility to:**

- To be kind
- To take care of each other and equipment
- To listen to other people
- To share
- To try hard with our work
- To listen to what any adults in the school tell you.

**Important Dates:**

w/b 12th Nov: Anti-Bullying week.

16th Nov: CIN dress up day

3rd Dec: School Closed

7th Dec: Enterprise Day

12th Dec 2pm: Year 2

Christmas Play

14th Dec 9.30 am: Year 2

Christmas Play

14th Dec: Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day

21st Dec end of term 2.30 finish

22nd Dec- 4th Jan:

Christmas Holiday

7th January INSET

8th January Children return

**Questions we Asked about our Topic:**

- What is the equator?
- What are the names of the continents?
- What is the difference between a continent and a country?

**Reading is a lifelong skill. Please help us encourage your child to read every day!**

**INCENTIVES THIS TERM**

**Reading Awards:** Children will receive a reading certificate for every 18 reads.

**Parent/Carer Partnership**

All parents are invited to come and read with their children in class on Thursdays between 2.50 and 3.10. It is a fantastic opportunity for you to spend time reading with your child.

**Shared home learning**

• **Reading:**

Read with your child for 10-15 minutes daily. You can find questions to aid your discussions in your reading record books.

**Writing**

- Write out spelling words in sentences.
- Help your child to form the letters in their spelling words correctly.

**Maths**

- Support them with their daily maths homework (Monday to Thursday)
  - Help them to learn their times tables. (2s, 5s and 10s)
- Practice telling the time with your child.

**In our class we earn:**

**Marvellous Me app awards**

For in class achievements.

**House points:**

For positive behaviour

**Handwriting Awards**

For achieving presentation targets.

**Presentation Stickers**

For improved presentation

**Headteacher awards for:**

Exceptional achievements

Year: 2

**Half term: Autumn 2 Leys KS1 Creative Curriculum Topic Planner**

**Project Title: Where in the world are we?**

**Focus Subjects: Geography/ English**

**Subject: English**

To retell and understand Christmas stories from around the world.  
To write their own winter based story.  
To research and create a profile of a contrasting country

**Subject: (History/Geography/Science)**

**Key Objectives**

Christmas around the world

Living things and their habitats

**Subject: (Computing/Art)**

**Key Objectives**

To use a computer to research.

To be able to draw effectively

**Skills**

To explain the similarities and differences between the UK and non-Eu countries

To identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.

**Skills**

Keyboard and mouse skills.

Proportion and accurate observation.

**Knowledge**

Children will know about how different people celebrate Christmas and about the climate in different parts of the world.

**Knowledge**

Children will use their research to write a fact file.

Children will be able to draw animals and humans in proportion.

**Leys Link Learning Value:**  
Self-belief

**Metacognition Lesson Focus: Growth Mindset**

The idea of growth mindset is to instil in the children methods to persevere in the face of challenge, to thrive on feedback; to be inspired by the success of others; to learn from criticism; how to take risks.

**Inspirational Person:** St Nicholas

**Marvellous Middle:**

Our Christmas play. Come and celebrate with us