



Our topic is: Journeys

In Year 2, we are learning to be creative writers! We will be reading books by Aaron Becker and Florence Parry Heide using the illustrations, ideas and descriptions to inspire our own creative writing. We will be thinking about traveling to different places and how we could get there. We will also be creating and designing our own way of travelling. We will be sketching, painting using watercolours and exploring the properties of clay. We will create a clay tile/model of our own transport design.

Indoor/Outdoor P.E.

Our unit focus is on creative skills. We will be developing our ball skills outside.

Music

Musical activities and exploration that work towards performing a song following the 'Charanga' school music scheme.

By the end of our topic:

Your child will know:

Art

- About different clay techniques
- Children will learn how to use their drawing to share their own ideas, experiences and imagination
- About artists that work in 3D sculpture such as Edgar Degas and Barbara Hepworth,
- How to mix secondary colours from primary colours

P.E.

- The skills needed to create own rules
- How to use music in PE and make links to make their movements
- How to recognise similarities and differences with or without music

Geography

- The children will know the world's seven continents and five oceans
- Know some of the physical and human geographical differences between the UK and Egypt

Your child will be able to:

Art

- To use different sketching pencils create effects with line and shading
- Use their inspiration from 'Journey' to plan and design a way to travel
- Explore the properties of clay, squeezing, rolling, pinching, pulling and carving
- Design and create a clay tile/model of their transport design
- Apply their colour mixing skills to paint their clay model/tile

P.E.

- Children will work together to create and follow their own rules
- Children will create their own movement sequences in groups

Geography

- To use human and physical geographical vocabulary to describe similarities and differences between Egypt and the United Kingdom
- To make comparisons between everyday life in Cairo and London

We will be reading:

Key text focus: 'Journey' and 'The day of Ahmed's Secret.'

Supporting text: Mini Grey's 'Space Dog' and 'Toys and Space'

Our memory maker event is:

Dress up to visit the place of your dreams! It might be somewhere that you have already been or would really like to visit. You could wear a costume/traditional dress from the place or clothes that you would wear to travel/visit. If you have already visited you could bring in some photos or souvenirs.

You can help you child further by:

- Talking about/sharing photos of trips and journeys you have made.
- Spotting different forms of transport when you are out and about.
- Planning a trip or journey that you can take during a school holiday/weekend
- Visiting a gallery in person or online and looking at the 3D art