

Bright Lights, Big City



Hop on board a big, red bus and head for England's capital. Yes, that's right, we're on our way to London!

This half term, we'll take tea with the Queen and visit Buckingham Palace online. Using maps and research, we'll locate Buckingham Palace, understand compass directions, plan routes around London and learn about the countries of the United Kingdom. Our research will take us back in time to the Great Fire of London and to famous London landmarks, as well as giving us an understanding of what it's like to live in a big city. We'll Skype a school in a city far away, write adventure stories, take a virtual trip to London Zoo and make souvenirs for tourists.

At the end of our project, we'll share our skills and knowledge with you. Our class will tell well-known stories about London, make a stop-motion animation and share traditional British songs and nursery rhymes.

ILP focus	Geography
English	Recounts, labels, captions, adventure stories, instructions, emails
Geography	Directions, maps, countries, capital cities, human geography
Computing	Internet research, digital images, creating and debugging programs, stop-motion animation
D&T	Model making, mechanisms
History	The Great Fire of London
Mathematics	Sequencing and directions
Music	Traditional songs and nursery rhymes
PSHE	Citizenship
Science	Everyday materials

Help your child prepare for their project

Cities are exciting places. Why not visit a local city to spot interesting vehicles, buildings and landmarks? Alternatively, you could search the web for images, information and film clips about London and keep a scrapbook of your findings. You could also visit the local library to see if you can find some colourful books of nursery rhymes and traditional songs to enjoy together.