

Year 3 Summer Project

The Year 3 Summer Project has a historical focus. It provides an excellent framework to introduce to the children the idea of people from other societies coming to settle in Britain.

Below are the activities your child should complete for the project. Activities for Weeks 2 through to 5 could be presented together in a booklet to show a timeline of events. When undertaking the activities, please encourage your child to be as imaginative and creative as they like.

Week 1: Making a Model Island

Look at a map of Great Britain.

Great Britain is an island as it is surrounded by water.

We would like you to make your own 3D island. Your island can be made from anything you like. Perhaps you have some recycled materials at home that you could use to help make it. Your island does not have to look like Great Britain. Just make sure that it has some features such as hills and rivers and that it is not too large.

Week 2: Describing a Journey

Imagine that you live many hundreds of years ago when there were no aeroplanes or cars. How would you travel to the island? How long would it take you? Would other people and maybe animals travel with you? Would the weather cause you any problems on your journey?

Week 3: Description of Characters and Dialogue between Characters.

You have now arrived on the island. Write a description of the people who you meet there. What do they look like? What do they do? How do they live? What do you say to them and what do they say to you?

Week 4: Writing a List

What do you think the people on the island need? Remember that this is many hundreds of years ago before the invention of electricity or gas.

List five things and tell us why they are needed. You can draw pictures to go with your items in the list.

Week 5: Writing a Letter

After spending many years living on the island you have now just received an urgent message for your return home. Write a letter to the people of the island explaining how you feel about leaving. Are you pleased or sorry to go? What will you miss about being on the island?

Extension: Reading Activity

Please encourage your child to do some reading over the holidays. The books can be fact or fiction, covering a range of topics.

Your child will be invited to re-tell what they have read when they return to school.

We wish you all a very enjoyable summer break.