

Planning Overview
Spring 2022 – Americas -
Jamaica
Base 2 – Year 1/2
Mrs Turner

Coming to England By
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Island Born By Juan Diaz
Clean Up By Nathan Byron



Art
“I have to draw a picture of the island”.

This term in our Art lessons, we will be looking at Recycled Art. We will be using a range of techniques to recreate our own versions of recycled art by creating collages and sculptures of fish and other sea creatures.

PE
“We would dance outside under the huge, warm raindrops”.

In PE this term we will be continuing to develop our skills and fitness through a range of sports, which includes Football and Gymnastics. We will be working on our balance and movements in particular this term to support us.

Literacy

“One day, a letter arrived from Marmie”.

“ Hija, our beaches are poetry”.

In Literacy this term, we will be focusing on the texts ‘Island Born’ by Juan Diaz along with a wide range of other texts focused on the Windrush, and plastic pollution. We will cover a range of genres across the term, such as, letter writing, instructions, descriptive writing, recounts and even our own stories.

We will be ensuring that our knowledge of basic sentence structure is in place, making sure we are using capital letters and full stops correctly as well as re reading our writing to check it makes sense. We will be further developing our writing by developing our use of a range of conjunctions to join sentences and clauses as well as working on the use of adjectives and expanded noun phrases to add description to our writing. We will be working on using phonics and spelling rules throughout all areas of writing and reading.

Science

“Plastic is ruining these islands”.

In Science this term, our topic will be ‘Materials’. We will be learning the names of objects and the materials they are made from. We will investigate how these materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching and know about the properties of the materials.

Music

“Dardie had always wanted to be a jazz musician”.

In our music lessons, we will be looking at Bob Marley and learning the songs: Three Little Bird and Every Little Thing. These will be inspired by Cedella Marley’s books. We shall also learn about Reggae music learning a song called ‘Zootime’.

Computing

In computing we will be looking at the common uses of IT beyond school such as Google Earth, Sat Nav and IT in Space. We will also become researchers, researching all things Jamaica.

Geography

“In the hot season, we had to move very slowly...when the wet season came...”

Throughout our Geography lessons this term, we will be using maps, atlases and google earth to name and locate the UK and Jamaica, along with comparing the islands. We will also be looking at the features of hot and cold places in the world, identifying the equator and north and south pole.

History

“.....part of the British Empire. We learnt about England”.

In History, we are going to look at the changes within living memory: the Windrush V today. Also, the Olympics with a focus on London 2012. During the term, we will be learning about significant people such as Imani Wilmot and Mary Seacole.

Maths

This term we will be following the year 1/2 Maths curriculum. We will use our prior knowledge of number and place value to support our learning of multiplication and division. Later in the term we will move onto Geometry (shape) and finding and identifying fractions.

During our maths lessons, we will use a range of strategies such as concrete, pictorial and abstract methods to support our learning as this will really secure our knowledge and ensure the skills are fully embedded.

The children have got their key facts sheet for their year group on seesaw. It is important that they learn these facts throughout the year to support their learning in class.

RE

In RE this term, we will be looking at the ‘Kingdom of God’ and ‘Stories of Love and Forgiveness’. This includes parables.

D&T

“It took fifteen days to sail to England”.

For our DT project this term, we will be designing our own boats. We will look at a range of different boats for different purposes, identify appropriate features and create boats using different materials including joining methods for it to be strong and stable.