

Wednesday 13th January Task:

Geography:

Hi everyone,

This week, our topic task is Geography, the children learn all about the four countries within the United Kingdom in Year One and Year Two. This year, Barnaby Bear will be visiting the four countries of the United Kingdom to tell us about their capital cities. I know that in the current circumstances Barnaby Bear should not be travelling in and out of his local area, but please reassure the children that he is a news presenter and is a key worker, so this is okay. He has also tested negative for the virus.

Before you start, can you ask the children what the capital city of England is. Go through the SMART with the children, it contains lots of key landmarks and modes of transports that are used in London. Stop periodically and ask the children if they can remember something about Barnaby Bear's journey so far, can they remember how he got to London? At the end of the SMART ask the children what they can remember about his journey, can they name any key features, landmarks or modes of transport, what was their favourite part of Barnaby Bear's visit?

The children are going to create their own fact file/retell about Barnaby Bear's trip to London. It is important to note that the children are not expected to retell every part of the journey in detail.

Year One children to be given 5 pictures of different locations/landmarks in London to identify. These pictures are shown in the first picture after the SMART, they do not need to be printed out, but should be used to support the children to remember what the landmarks are called. The children could draw their own pictures of the landmarks if they would like to.

Year Two children are to be given one picture of Barnaby Bear in London and write about how Barnaby Bear got to London and what landmarks he saw whilst he was there, using the correct names. Again, the children do not need to have the picture printed out, but they could draw their favourite landmark if they would like to.

To extend the children's learning you could ask them the following key questions:

- What is the capital city of England?
- How did Barnaby bear get to London?
- Can you travel to London using different modes of transport?
- Can you describe different landmarks in London?
- Can you name different landmarks in London?
- What did Barnaby Bear see on his trip?
- How did Barnaby Bear get to different landmarks?

As always, please remember to let me know if you have any questions and if you could please also upload any completed work via Tapestry that would be fantastic. I can't wait to see it!

Many thanks,

Mrs Barber