



## **YEAR 2 INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

### **Autumn term 1**

### **PROJECT: Around the World in 30 Days**



#### **Key Dates:**

Aussie style campfire - date to be confirmed (weather dependent)

Australia Showcase of Learning - Thursday 23rd<sup>d</sup> October 2.45 pm

**The main curriculum focus of this project is geography. During the term your child will:**

#### **Main tasks:**

- compare Australia and Old Whittington;
- identify landmarks in Australia and another country;
- identify the worlds continents and oceans
- identify the four countries that make up the United Kingdom, their capital cities and the seas that surround the U.K.

#### **English:**

- read and write sentences with capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.
- create Australian characters and settings using our understanding of life in Australia;
- create a written report about Australia.

## Maths:

- read and write numbers in words and figures;
- to recognise odd and even numbers;
- learn about place value and what each digit in a number is worth;
- learn to add and subtract.

## HOMework

Your child is expected to complete at least 30 minutes of homework per week (this includes reading time).

Weekly homework tasks include:

- Reading 3 times a week (Children will earn 1 dojo for each time they read which they can swap for a Dojo Reward at the end of each half term).
- Spellings based on the current week's Phonics lessons.

Children will also be given a piece of topic homework to be completed over the course of the term. The task has four levels of challenge and is presented in the form of a pyramid.

All children are expected to complete the bottom level of the pyramid but if they want to challenge themselves, they can try the more difficult tasks once they have done so. Children will be expected to present their homework to the rest of the class so make sure you can talk confidently about your chosen tier.

The first tier of the pyramid homework is due in by **Friday 2nd October**, but can be handed in before this date if you wish.



Write a detailed  
report  
about several  
Australian animals.

Create a report about an  
Australian animal with facts and  
labelled diagrams or drawings.

Create a report about an  
Australian animal with facts and  
drawings or pictures.

Find out at least five facts about  
an Australian animal.