

Elm Park Nurseries

May 2023

Topic program - May 2023

In May, the children at Little Learners Nursery and Preschool, will be developing knowledge and understanding about, *Countries*. Topics all relate to the seven areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). The EYFS sets the standards for the learning, development and care of children from birth to five years old. All Ofsted-registered early years nurseries must adhere to this standard.

The Early year's children are encouraged to 'learn through play' through a range of openended activities with adult support. Each month's key themes and topics are embedded into our routine and resources prompting insightful thoughts.



Countries

This topic embraces language, costumes, culture, different religions, ways to travel, festivals and celebrations, food, care for our world - the list is endless...

This is a wonderful topic for celebrating the different cultures especially the cultures relating to all our children specifically.

PARENTS: please bring in items from home if you feel it would be beneficial for other children to learn about your cultures and traditions in your home!

'Countries' will give the children the opportunity to talk about their family & relatives who may live with them and have grown up in other countries, as well as identifying the places within the world the children have travelled too themselves when going on holiday or visiting family. Food tasting will be a fun activity where children will have the opportunity to try and taste different foods from different countries. PARENTS: please suggest foods you have/like at home that might stand out and be good to try!

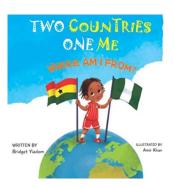
Furthermore, we plan to make foods from all over the world... we will try, taste and share these home made foods with loved ones.

Exploring the different countries from around the world will also recognise the similarities we all share with those who live around us.



Core books Week 1&2: 'Two countries, one me'

KJ is excited to learn about the two countries he comes from, even though he initially fails to accept that he comes from places other than England. When KJ asks, "Where Am I From?" Mum and Dad explain his ethnic heritage to him through fun facts and pictures. Throughout the story, KJ is shown facts about his parents' cultures that he can relate to and embrace, helping him understand his uniqueness being from both Ghana and Nigeria. He learns many valuable lessons that he cannot wait to share.



Week 3&4: 'a place called home'

Take a sneak peek inside homes from all around the world with this charming lift-the-flap book, written by Kate Baker and beautifully illustrated by Rebecca Green. From cosy wooden houses in snow-blanketed Greenland to traditional Maasai mud huts in East Africa, young children will discover different ways of living across the

globe and get a unique glimpse into diverse cultures and



Our new songs for May

Our new songs for May... 'The Seven Continents'

There is Aisa, Africa, North & South America. Antartica, Europe, & finally Austrailia!

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'What Country are you from?'

What country are you from, Canada?
What country are you from, The USA?
What country are you from, The Philipinnes?
Korea?
What country are you from, Korea?

No matter where you are, You're always in my heart No matter who you are, you'll always be my friend!

What country are you from, Austrailia? What country are you from,Russia? What country are you from,Germany? What country are you from,China?

No matter where you are, You're always in my heart No matter who you are, you'll always be my friend!

Parents please...

We are all very sad to say goodbye to our Senior Nursery manager Becca, Last day Friday 19th May.

Please welcome our new Senior Nursery manager Terri Noone, Moving over from the St Nicholas Setting.

Safeguarding the children within our care is Everyone's responsibility. If you do have any suspicions or concernsreport them!

Lead Safeguarding officer-Becca Clements/ Terri Noone

Deputy Safeguarding officer-Terri Stanley (deputy Manager)

Nursery closure dates:

Monday 1st May - bank holiday Monday 8th May- Kings coronation, bank holiday Monday 29th May- Bank holiday.

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Topic Program, May 2023 Parent Feedback Form 'Countries'

What did you do with your children to incorporate the topic for May 2023 at home?
What do you think your child has learnt and how have they benefitted from this topic?
Are there any activities you would like to see happening more in nursery?

Child: Age group: