

Year 2 Nightingales
Autumn 2 2026
Home and Away

Class Books – Autumn 2nd
George and the Dragon by Chris Wormell
The Christmasaurus by Tom Fletcher

Topic Overview:
Our topic this term is Home and Away which is predominently geography based. Firstly we will, focus on the physical and geographical features of the United Kingdom. We will explore the four countries of the UK, their capital cities, landmarks and traditions. Using maps and atlases, we will locate different places and learn about what makes each country unique.

Hook:	Outcome:
Myths and Legends	Art Display

What's being covered?		
Maths	Addition and subtraction and geometry.	
English	Poetry, Narratives	
	Topic	Skills
Science	**Living things:** Habitats	• Recall some life processes, giving examples of how they apply to plants and animals. • Match different plants and animals to their habitats. • Give examples of how animals use their habitat for food and shelter. • Recall that plants produce their own food for energy. • Name living things that are producers and place a producer at the beginning of a food chain.
Geography	**Locational Knowledge**	• Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans; • Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.
Art and Design	**Explore & Draw.**	• To use a range of materials creatively to design and make products • To use drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination • To develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space • To know about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work.
Music	**Charanga** Ho Ho Ho!	• To know some songs have a chorus or a response/answer part. • To know that songs have a musical style.
Computing	**Creating media –** Digital photography	• Learners will learn to recognise that different devices can be used to capture photographs and will gain experience capturing, editing, and improving photos. • Finally, they will use this knowledge to recognise that images they see may not be real.

PSHE	**Connecting with others;** How I build safe, kind and caring relationships with others?	• To know that families can be made up of different people. • To know that families may be different to my family. • To know some problems which might happen in friendships. • To understand that some problems in friendships might be more serious and need addressing. • To understand some ways people, show their feelings.
RE	**<u>Big Question:</u>** What does the nativity story teach Christians about Jesus?	• Retell the Christmas story. • Recognise that Christians believe Jesus was sent by God to be him in the flesh. • Give examples of ways in which Christians use the story of the nativity to guide their beliefs and actions at Christmas.
PE	**Invasion Games** **Dance**	• Develop basis movements including throwing and catching. • Participate in team games, developing simple tactics for attacking and defending. • Perform using simple movement patterns.