



Parent, Carers and children, this is your Year 2 Captain speaking, welcome onboard Flight 2Y20 with Stillness Airways service from London to Timbuktu. We are currently boarding **all Year 2 children to begin our journey of our new topic 'What a Wonderful World!'**. During our journey we will be exploring different countries around the world; learning and comparing different cultures, climates and stories from different continents as well as exploring the world through maps, globes and Google Earth. We are currently waiting in line for take-off and are expected to be in the air in approximately **10 days' time**. We ask that you please fasten your seatbelts at this time and secure all valuable knowledge in your overhead compartments (brain) or fasten securely in a half term folder. We also ask should you wish to research any facts and information over the half term holiday that you do so with curiosity, determination and if your internet service provider is anything like mine, with a little patience. For your research, please use all personal electronic devices, including laptops and mobile phones **securely and safely with an adult's permission**. Thank you for choosing Stillness Airways, we look forward to flying with you as we discover what makes our world so wonderful. Buckle up and enjoy your flight!

(If you wish to partake in our pre-flight activities please find some home learning attached. It would be lovely to hear about where the Year 2 children have explored over the half term holiday when we return to school!)

On the 9th of November we will be holding our Wonderful World theme day. If you would like to share something about your culture and any family links you have around the world we would love to hear from you! This may be an origami session to reading a story in your first language to teaching us how to count in different languages or learning a traditional dance! Please let us know by emailing the office or on Class Dojo! The kids will love all the first-hand experience and knowledge!

Have a lovely half term. See you for take-off Year 2!

Captain Kelly, Captain Smith and Captain Ferguson

Dictionary Research

Can you use a dictionary or ask an adult to find out the meaning of these words?

If you don't have a dictionary at home then use this link: <https://kids.wordsmyth.net/we/>

Word	Definition
Aerial photograph	
Artefact	
Atlas	
Continent	
Culture	
Globe	
Landmark	
Map	
Ocean	
Tradition	

Animals of the Continents

Can you research what animals you can find in the wild in different continents/oceans?

You may wish to draw the animals or cut out the animals and stick them onto a world map showing the continents.

Be as creative as you can!

Here are some examples of how you may like to show your research!



Map Work

Use an atlas, Google Earth or the internet to explore different countries around the world. Can you then colour in the blank map and write the name of the country?

Here is a really useful website you can use if you don't have an atlas:

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/browse/atlas>

Type in the country you would like to find e.g. France. The capital city will be shown with a circular symbol. You can zoom in to find more cities or zoom out to discover the continent it is in. Then find this country on the blank map and colour and write in the country name.

You may wish to find out more about a country or countries. Use the country fact file to help you discover more about your country of choice!

List of useful websites to explore and games

<https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>

<https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/Geography.htm>

<https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/preschool/animals/jungle/animaljunglecreate.htm>

<https://www.ducksters.com/geography/>

https://www.ducksters.com/games/geography_games.php

https://www.digitaldialects.com/geography_games.htm

<https://earth.google.com/web/>

Reading Comprehension

Keeping reading with your children over half term! If you would like to do some comprehension questions then please find some worksheets attached. There are 3 levels: 1* = 3* going up in difficulty.

Baking/Food

Get your MasterChef hat on and create a cake of a famous landmark or create some food from a different country around the world! Don't forget to take photos and bring them in to share!





Country Fact File



Country: _____

Continent: _____

Capital City: _____

Currency: _____

Climate:

Other countries in the continent:

Draw country outline

Flag

Food

Holidays and Traditions

Famous Landmarks