

Geography

We will be looking at our city's human and physical geography. We will venture to several of the main landmarks in the city so we can experience these first hand.

We will investigate land use in Sunderland's different localities to enable us to see that we have many landscapes and areas within our city boundaries.

We will be studying contrasting locations such as Roker and Seaburn's amazing beaches with Herrington Country Park.

We will be looking at some of Sunderland's physical features such as the river and beach. We will also look at some man-made features such as land use and different settlements.

What is so super about Sunderland?

We will be looking at our amazing city and the landmarks within it. We are so lucky to have the beach, country side and the river right on our doorstep and we are going to explore each one and also compare them.

The outcome of our topic is to get to know the city we live in and explore everything we are famous for. We think our city is great and we want to experience the different areas within it.

The final outcome for our topic will be an invitation to families to come and see our learning and let us share our knowledge and experiences with you-we can't wait to sing The Lambton Worm for you all!

Topic hooks, visits and visitors

We will be getting out and about on our journey around Sunderland. We will be visiting the beach and Herrington Park and walking up to Penshaw Monument-the dates for these trips will be sent out as soon as we have confirmed transport.

P.S.H.E.

In Jigsaw we will be focusing on relationships and how to build and strengthen these at home and at school. We will focus on how we can help others and treat them with care and respect. We will be undertaking a lot of group work to build even stronger relationships with each other in school, both in the classroom and during lunch and play times.

PE

We will be continuing to develop our map reading skills and exploring the school grounds as we continue to develop our skills in orienteering! We will be building our resilience and solving problems too!

DT and Art

We will be creating famous landmarks using junk modelling materials, so please feel free to send us kitchen roll tubes, yoghurt pots and other materials you would usually recycle. We will look at Roker Pier and Lighthouse, Penshaw Monument, Roker Park, the 3 bridges over the Wear and Herrington Country Park; we will then choose our favourite to design, make and evaluate—we can't wait to show you our finished work!

We will be looking at perspective in art and creating pictures with foreground, mid ground and background, using water colours.



Music

We will be listening to The Lambton Worm and exploring the language and its meaning before we learn it ourselves. We will be inviting parents, carers and other relatives into school to see what we have been learning and perform the song to you. Feel free to join in if you know the words!

Opportunities for extended writing

We will be creating persuasive leaflets to try to entice visitors to our city. We will look at each landmark and include reasons you should pay super Sunderland a visit!

We will be creating a travel brochure for the different areas we have around our city and promote these areas with different groups of tourists that could visit.

We will be creating setting descriptions of contrasting localities such as the beach and Herrington Country park. Keep an eye on the website for our amazing work!

How can I support my child's learning? Resources and ideas for home.

Encourage your child to research the topic using books or the Internet. Can you tell them about your favourite places in Sunderland or maybe grandparents can share stories of how the city has changed? The children are still bringing spellings home on a weekly basis and it would be a great help if you could help them learn these. Thanks for your continued support!