



Year 2 Autumn 1 - How has Thamesmead Changed?

Topic Overview

In Autumn 1, students will begin to learn about our local area of Thamesmead including how the surrounding area and buildings have changed over time. We will be looking at comparisons between the past and modern times and consider the similarities and differences of what happened in the area and how the land and its uses have transformed over time.

As part of this topic, we will be visiting The Nest to meet with a community archivist who will be giving us a talk about the history of Thamesmead.

Hook: To create their own magical creature. **Visit:** to NEST library with an Archivist to talk to the children about historical Thamesmead. Our Learning Overview Key Text In writing, we will be writing a character description and magical tale based on **English** YOKKI our text Yokki and the Parno Gry. In Maths, we will be looking at numbers within 100, adding and subtracting these numbers and putting them into word problems. We will also be practising our Maths times tables. In science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats, children will learn about MRS GREN, a famous botanist Jane Colden, and look at which Science Our tales of Thamesmead conditions are favourable to living things. In history we will be learning about our local area of Thamesmead including how History it has changed over time and making comparisons to the present time. In art, children will develop their understanding of tone, gradient and shading Art through creating a Thamesmead scene. In RE, we are looking at Judaism. We will be learning about the key features of the RE religon, the story of Hanukkah and how it is celebrated in Jewish homes. In music students will start learning to play the recorder, focusing on holding and playing it correctly. Over six weeks, they will progress from mastering the recorder's Music position to learning and revising notes B and A on the treble clef stave.

