



To all the pupils of St. Andrew's CE Primary School,

This newsletter is for you! It is run by some year 6 pupils and school councillors. If you would like something to feature in the newsletter please email:

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Exploring The Americas



Explore the Americas with us in this special edition of the pupil newspaper. Find out all the exciting things we have been doing, including: cooking, Art work, Science and more!

During Term 1, St Andrew's children have been exploring the continent of The Americas. Each Year group has focused on a different country:

EYFS: Central America



Y1: Peru



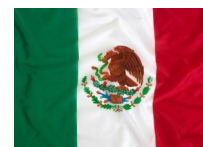
Y2 and Y3: Mexico

Y4: Canada



Y5: Brazil

Y6: Ecuador



Can you match the correct flag to its country?



Have you visited anywhere in The Americas?





YEAR 6—ECUADOR



Year 6 has been studying Ecuador. Much of their work has been cross curricular:

- A non-chronological report about the country (including mountains, rivers and climate).
- Science work about the Galapagos Islands; classifying living organisms which inhabit the island.
- Art work exploring the creatures of Ecuador, as well as sketching artefacts.

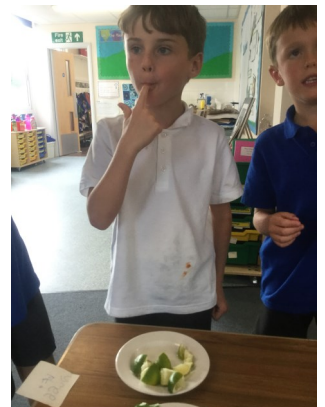


Local Chinnor resident, Mr Murray visited Year 6 to tell them about the time he spent living in Ecuador until he was 12. He shared his experiences and knowledge of the country. The children asked a range of questions to find out more about what life is like in South America and discovered it really is true...guinea pig is frequently on the dinner menu! Among other things, Mr Murray shared a llama -wool poncho, traditional musical instruments and photographs of him standing on the equator.

YEAR 2—MEXICO



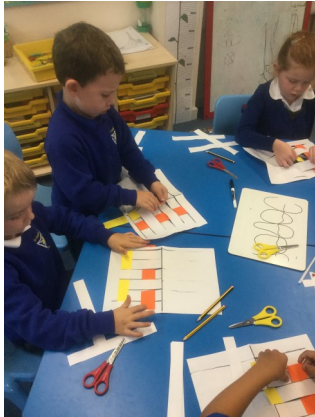
Year 2 have made their very own guacamole and salsa! They chopped up and mixed all the ingredients themselves. As a reward to finish off their Mexico topic, the children ate their dips with tortilla chips while they watched Coco.





YEAR 1-PERU

The children in Year 1 have been learning all about Peru, and were able to see some very interesting Peruvian fruits, which even the adults had never seen before! They

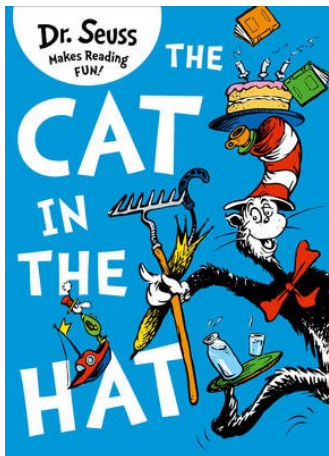


guessed what they would look like inside and some were very surprising. The children then created artwork of dragonfruit, papaya, granadillo, tamarillo, physallis, and prickly pears. Mr Morgan, who has travelled to Peru, has also visited Year 1 and showed the children lots of very interesting things!

We also had a go at some Peruvian weaving! We linked our Science with our topic too and coloured in pictures of llamas, leopards and tigers who live in Peru.



Did you know that Paddington Bear comes from Peru?



FOUNDATION STAGE-CENTRAL AMERICA

The children in Foundation Stage have been learning about central America. They have made lots of different crafts, including crowns for justice like the one the Statue of Liberty wears. They also drew and made the Empire State Building out of junk modelling materials. Most recently, they have read the story 'Cat in the Hat' by Dr Seuss who lived in Massachusetts.





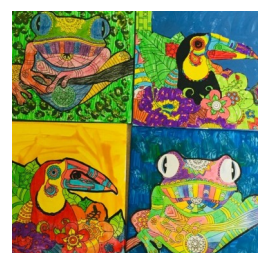
YEAR 3—MEXICO

Day of the Dead and music festivals have been part of the exciting learning that Year 3 have been a part of as they have learnt about Mexico. They have learnt about the human and physical geography of the country. The children loved learning the Mexican hat dance too.



YEAR 5—BRAZIL

Year 5 have been getting arty when learning about Brazil! They have made some fabulous carnival masks which are very sparkly! They also made their own tiles, depicting animals of the Amazon. When learning about deforestation, Year 5 felt strongly that something needed to change. They have written letters to the President to persuade him to bring an end to deforestation. Mrs Ludlow has a rainforest growing in her room!



YEAR 4—CANADA

For the harvest festival, Year 4 learnt about how maple syrup is harvested in Canada and sung a song about it! They have also made adverts to persuade people to go and visit Canada for a holiday. Inuit people were the first inhabitants of Canada, and they had some amazing traditional tales, including 'Raven and Moon'. The children learnt this story before writing their own using a similar style. In Art, the children made their own totem poles.



CHECK OUT OUR AMERICAS DISPLAY IN THE SCHOOL RECEPTION AREA!



If you haven't been into reception recently, make sure you pay us a visit and look at all the learning we have done across the school about The Americas!

