

Holidays around the world

Where are you going on your holidays? This is the time of year when children are going or have been on holiday, so it is the perfect time to learn about different locations around the world.

Learning aims

- Learn about different places
- Understand different modes of transport
- Develop imaginary skills in the role play area.



Resources

- Postcards or photos from around the UK and rest of the world
- Map of the UK and map of the world
- Books on different modes of transport e.g. cars, trains, planes.

Activity outline

- This is the time of year when children are going or have been on holiday, so it is the perfect time to learn about different locations around the world
- Remember not all families will be able to afford to go away, but you can look at what they have been up to, even if this is playing at home or going to see their families
- Look at where the children have been on the map. You may need support from parents to establish where they have been if the child has forgotten
- Talk about how they travelled there. Why don't you create a graph to show the different forms of transport used? This will help develop children's mathematical skills
- Why not stick pictures or photos of the children on holiday to the map? Ask parents to send you photos so you can print them or bring them in already printed if possible
- Have a selection of books available for the children to look through and see different countries. You can also spend time with the children using the internet to look up information about places they have been. Why not use Google Maps to see how long it takes to get there? Zoom in to see what you can find
- Some children may be travelling abroad for Eid, you could talk to the children about their holidays and celebrations while they have been away; extend the learning further by discussing this festival at the same time.

Extending the activity

- You may have a nursery bear or other toy that children take home for adventures that can go on holiday with them too
- Why not create a separate photo album (either digital or printed) to show the bear at different places?
- Support the children to either print out the photos or add them into the digital library. This will develop their IT skills as well as give them ownership of their albums.