



St Joseph's: Year 4 – Spring 1



TOPIC: Fair For All

LEARNING VALUE: COLLABORATION	HOOK/OUTCOME: The children will be working towards putting on a fabulous Brazilian carnival performance at the end of term to showcase all they have learnt about Brazilian culture.	
IMPORTANT DATES: Samba Music workshop: Thursday 18 th January Hooke Court Parents Meeting: Monday 5 th February Year 4 Carnival Performance: Thursday 8 th February 2:15 in hall.	HOMEWORK: Maths: given on Fridays and due in the following Friday. Spellings: given on Mondays and tested on Fridays.	
TOPIC: To begin our spring term, we will be using our fantastic geographic skills to research what Fair Trade is and how it impacts not only our lives, but that of others as well. We will be using the country of Brazil as a focus of the project to help us understand more about lives in different cultures around the world and also to investigate about how Fairtrade has a real life impact. Our aim in Geography this term is to develop our map reading skills along with a clear understanding of the world and how your country can affect how much money and freedom you are allowed.	STAYING SAFE: This term we will be looking at relationships and learning about bullying. We will be discussing how to keep good relationships and how to deal with difficult friendship situations that could occur.	
MATHS: This term we will be continuing to cover many different aspects of the mathematics curriculum beginning with a recap on place value and calculations. A big focus this term is learning to identify which calculation we need to solve a problem independently. We will also investigate measures and time.	LITERACY: We are going to continue to develop our writing skills this term through using our targets which will be showing us all areas of our writing. We will be having a go at doing some writing linked to our topic where we will be reporting about different aspects of life in Brazil.	RE: This term begins with a look at the feast of Epiphany. The children will learn all about the Wise Men's visit to Jesus and about the significance of the gifts that they gave. We will then spend time on the topic of Revelation where the children will learn about the presentation of Jesus at the temple and discuss what it is like in our lives when something special is revealed to us.