

# Geography and History at Mereworth

## What Do We Learn About at Mereworth?

Here at Mereworth Community Primary School we have a creative curriculum approach to Geography and History; this means that it is taught as part of a topic linked to other subjects.

We focus on experiential learning wherever possible and value our local area as a resource for making this subject as hands on as possible. We encourage children to ask as well as answer geographical questions and wherever possible involve the children in 'real' historical activities.



## We celebrated the Battle of Hastings



In October the whole school celebrated the Battle of Hastings. Each year group focused on a particular area of interest and we came together at the end of the day to share our experiences and what we had learnt. Year Four thoroughly enjoyed archery and Year Six made their own soup to eat over the camp fire. In the afternoon the children re-enacted the armies walk from York to Hastings which the children were sponsored for, to raise money for the NSPCC. The children thoroughly enjoyed their day with lots of new and exciting learning taking place.

## Geography at Mereworth Community Primary School

The children enjoy a wide range of learning and activities linked to Geography throughout the school. In Year Two Amelie said "I liked it when we were learning about the continents and finding out which continent we live on" and Lily said "I like learning about Madagascar." Year Five have learnt about coastlines with Elliot saying "I learnt new things like different types of coasts and we went to Deal."



## History at Mereworth Community Primary School

The children have covered a wide range of Historical topics from Florence Nightingale to the Romans and the Greeks. Gino in Year Two said "I enjoyed learning about The Great Fire of London and how many churches and houses burnt down," while in Year Three Rebecca enjoyed learning about the Egyptians saying "I liked learning about the mummification process. It was quite interesting how they do it and why they do it."

## Why don't you ...

Visit a local museum to enhance your child's learning. Maidstone Museum has a great range of summer activities available from 25<sup>th</sup> July – 24<sup>th</sup> August from 10:30am – 2pm. Have a look at their website for further information at <http://museum.maidstone.gov.uk/whats-on/events/summer-holiday-activities/>.

