

## International Links

### Reaccreditation of the International School Award 2018-2021

As our Award term draws to a close and we prepare to apply for a new reaccreditation, Woodfall has continued to work really hard to maintain the importance of Global learning and retain our International links.

After submitting our initial plan, we were very pleased to have received the following comment from the accredited assessor:

"This is a very good action plan from Woodfall Primary and Nursery School and is approved. The summary shows the extent of all the International and Global teaching and learning that takes place and it is clear that internationalism is at the core of the curriculum. There are a vast range of opportunities for each child to engage in the arts, and to develop a deep understanding of other cultures, languages and countries."

Fingers crossed for full approval after our impact evaluation is submitted!

**Woodfall Primary and Nursery School is pleased to have successful links with three schools.**

**We have managed to stay connected even in these difficult times through email, letters and video links.**

#### **South Africa**

St. James RC Primary School,  
Barton Road,  
Kalk Bay,  
South Africa



We have been twinned with **St. James RC Primary School** since 2008. It is located in **Kalk Bay in Cape Town**. Kalk Bay is a fishing village on the coast of False Bay. It lies between the ocean and high rise mountains. Some of the children who attend St. James Primary are from the local area of Kalk Bay. However, a large number of the children live further out and travel to St James by bus each day.

We have been fortunate enough to have lots of teacher exchanges and be able to share our experiences with the staff and the children. We have worked collaboratively on lots of Global

topics, such as 'Eco', 'What makes me proud,' 'Peace and Justice,' and 'Conflict and resolution' and we are hoping to share our work on our Adrift project very soon.

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## France

Ecole Pierre Vincent,  
Alissas,  
Ardeche,  
France

Ecole Jean Rostand,  
Riom,  
Auvergne,  
France

**Alissas** is a village near the town of Privas in the Ardeche region. Our link with **Ecole Pierre Vincent** was set up in March 2011. The school has 203 pupils and 11 teachers. It is one of the largest primary schools in the educational department of Grenoble. All the children from preschool to Year 6 learn English. To date we have had two teacher exchanges.

**Riom** is a commune in the Puy-de-Dôme department in Auvergne in central France. **Ecole Jean Rostand** has 300 pupils including nursery. This is our most recent partner school, as the link was set up in September 2019. Woodall pupils exchange termly letters, information, pictures and emails with their equivalent class. With the help of Mrs Florence Vullo who teaches English in jean Rostand, each pupils in year 5 now have individual French penfriends.

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## **Our Aims - International Links**

- To provide opportunities for the children to discover other cultures through real experiences and regular communication.
- To develop their curiosity about other cultures.
- To respect and value other cultures and values, challenging any stereotypical views.
- To welcome teachers from other countries to Woodfall as part of school exchanges.
- To enrich our school curriculum through collaborative work.
- To further develop language skills.
- To form new and lasting friendships, both staff and children.