



FAMILY FOCUS

Sensory Walk

In order to really appreciate **creation** and be **creative** ourselves, we rely upon our senses.

Go on a family walk in the countryside or park.

What can you hear, see, smell and touch?

Make a simple map of your walk and collect things from the ground (little sticks, stones, feathers, crispy leaves etc) to fix on to your map to help you remember what you have experienced with your senses at different places on the journey.



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Wonders of Creation

Philosophers in Ancient Greece in the first and second centuries BC talked about the seven wonders of the world. They chose places such as the Egyptian pyramids, the Hanging Gardens of Babylon and the Colossus in Rhodes.

Many years later another group of people compiled a list of the seven natural wonders of the world. They chose the Great Barrier Reef (near Australia), the Grand Canyon (in USA), Mount Everest and others.

This month's challenge is for you to decide on the 7 wonders of **creation**. What will you choose? Your list could include a tiny insect, a beautiful flower or a huge sea creature. Think carefully. Either draw the wonders or take photos and write on the back of each why you have chosen them.

Bring your pictures or photos to school and in each class we will talk about the wonders of **creation** and decide which are really amazing!



HALL OF FAME

Andy Goldsworthy

Many artists are inspired by the natural world to **create** beautiful pieces of art of their own. Andy Goldsworthy uses natural materials that he finds to make sculptures and pictures. These often include brightly-coloured flowers, icicles, leaves, mud, pinecones, snow, stone, twigs and thorns. This creative artist became particularly famous for his rock balancing sculptures. On stony beaches many people make stone towers of their own.

Why don't you try making one next time you visit the coast?



Leaves polished and greased, pinned to the ground with thorns.



FASCINATING FACTS

About creation

70% of the earth's surface is covered by oceans

The largest desert in the world, the Sahara Desert, covers 1/3 of Africa

The longest river in the world is the Nile at 4160 miles. In the UK the Severn is longest at just 220 miles

75% of the freshwater on earth is frozen in glaciers

The earth is 50 times bigger by volume than the moon

It is estimated there are 10000 species of birds and 5000 species of mammals on earth

