

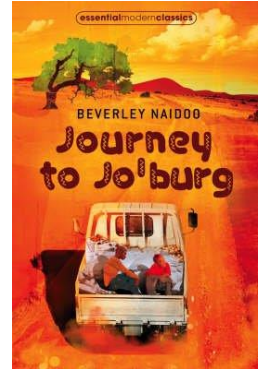


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Year 4 Rationale

Spring 2nd Half Term

A Continent of Contrasts



The main overarching theme of Year 4's curriculum is 'Journeys'. This half term, we will deepen our understanding of this concept through our study of 'A Continent of Contrasts'.

The children will have the opportunity to learn about the history of Apartheid in South Africa through our core text 'Journey to Jo'burg'. By being immersed in the journey of two young children, we will begin to understand the divide between people of different races in South Africa at that time. The children will also read an abridged version of Nelson Mandela's Long Walk to Freedom to recognise his significance contribution to the equal rights' movement. Developing children's questioning about the world around them, we are going to examine the messages of Pope Frances in his encyclicals 'Laudato Si' and 'Fratelli Tutti' and the need to love our neighbour and protect human dignity.

In our RE topic of Self-discipline, we will go through a spiritual journey throughout Lent, as we make small changes to our daily life to pray more, fast more and give more. Following the Mission Together Lenten Calendar will help to guide us on this journey in faith, as we grow ever closer to God.