



Year 3  
World Hello Day and Italy

We wore the colours of the Italian flag for the day.



## Where is Italy in the world?


Italy is a country within Europe. It is shaped like a boot kicking a ball. Italy shares its borders with France, Switzerland, Austria and Slovenia.




**Facts About Italy**

**Where in the world is Italy?**  
Italy is a country in the south-east of Europe. It has borders with four other countries: France, Switzerland, Austria and Slovenia.


Italy is easy to spot on a map because it is shaped like a high-heeled boot. The boot looks like it is kicking a ball which is actually one of Italy's 350 islands. Sicily, Italy has a very long coastline (4722 miles long) and sits within the Mediterranean Sea. The Italian Alps are in the north of the country and, believe it or not, there are three volcanoes in the south: Vesuvius, Etna and Stromboli. Vesuvius famously erupted in AD 79 causing devastating death and destruction to nearby cities.



**Did You Know...?**  
The colours of the Italian flag represent three different virtues:  
green = hope  
white = faith  
red = charity



**What Is the Weather Like in Italy?**  
Most people consider Italy to be a hot summer holiday destination, although there are also popular ski resorts in the mountainous regions in the north. Central Italy has a milder climate with similar temperatures all year round. Southern Italy has very hot summers and mild winters and as a result, more than 52 million tourists visit each year.



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Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November - World Hello Day  
I.O. Retrieve information from a non-fiction text about Italy.

**Questions**

1. Where is Italy? Tick one.  
 south-west Europe  
 north-east Europe  
 south-east Europe  
 north-west Europe

What is Italy shaped like?  
*high heeled boot.*

How long is the Italian coastline? Tick one.  
 350 miles  
 4722 miles  
 4807 miles  
 79 miles

Why is Vesuvius a famous volcano? Explain your answer fully.  
*Vesuvius is famously erupted in AD 79 causing devastating death and destruction to nearby cities.*

Find and copy a word that shows that there are lots of hills and mountains in the north of Italy.  
*mountainous.*

Draw lines to match the facts about Italy.

Bel paese means...	Mont Blanc. ✓
Rome was founded by...	Rome. ✓
The highest peak in Italy is...	beautiful country. ✓
'Eternal City' is another name for...	Romulus. ✓

How long is the River Po? Tick one.  
 350 miles  
 4722 miles  
 4807 miles  
 79 miles

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# Guided Reading

We used our retrieval skills to pull information from the text to answer questions about Italy.

We learnt that Italy has a mediterranean climate and that its highest mountain is the Matterhorn.

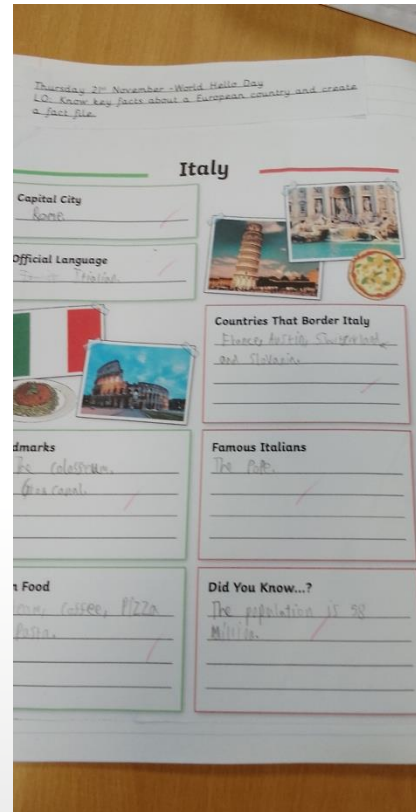
We created a fact file about Italy with key facts.

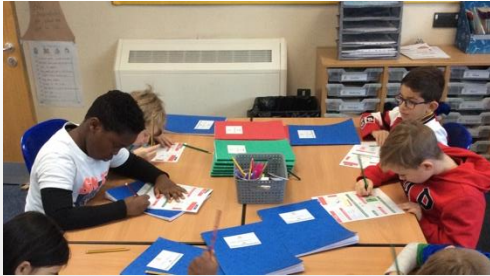
Capital city of Italy is Rome.

Population of 58.8 million people.

They speak Italian.

The longest river is the Po which is 405 miles in length.





The currency of Italy is euros.

Some famous Italians are:

Leonardo da Vinci

Maria Montessori

Marco Polo

Italy is also home to many different animals such as the lynx and alpine marmot.

# Landmarks



**Colosseum**



**Trevi Fountain**



**Leaning Tower of Pisa**



**Cathedral of Santa Maria  
del Fiore**



**Ruins of Pompeii**



**Grand Canal**

Food – pizza, pasta, cappuccino and wine





## What we thought of the National Anthem

“I liked the rhythm of the music” – Adriel

“I liked the fact that the lyrics were in both Italian and English” - Adelia

”I thought the music was very powerful and dramatic” – Charisma

“I liked the singing voices they were very upbeat” – Meer

National Anthem

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z3RToBymttA>



## The Flag of Italy

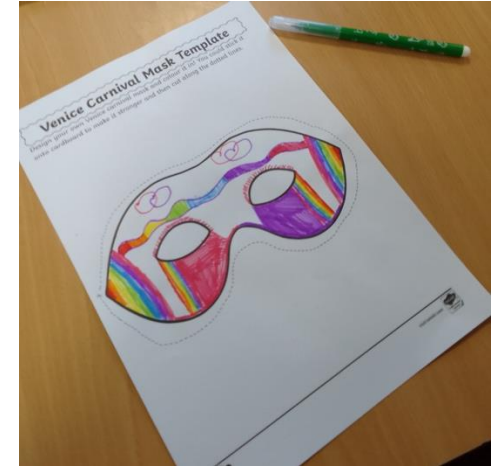
**Green:** hope and the Mediterranean landscape

**White:** faith and the snow-capped mountains of the alps

**Red:** charity and the blood spilled for Italian independence

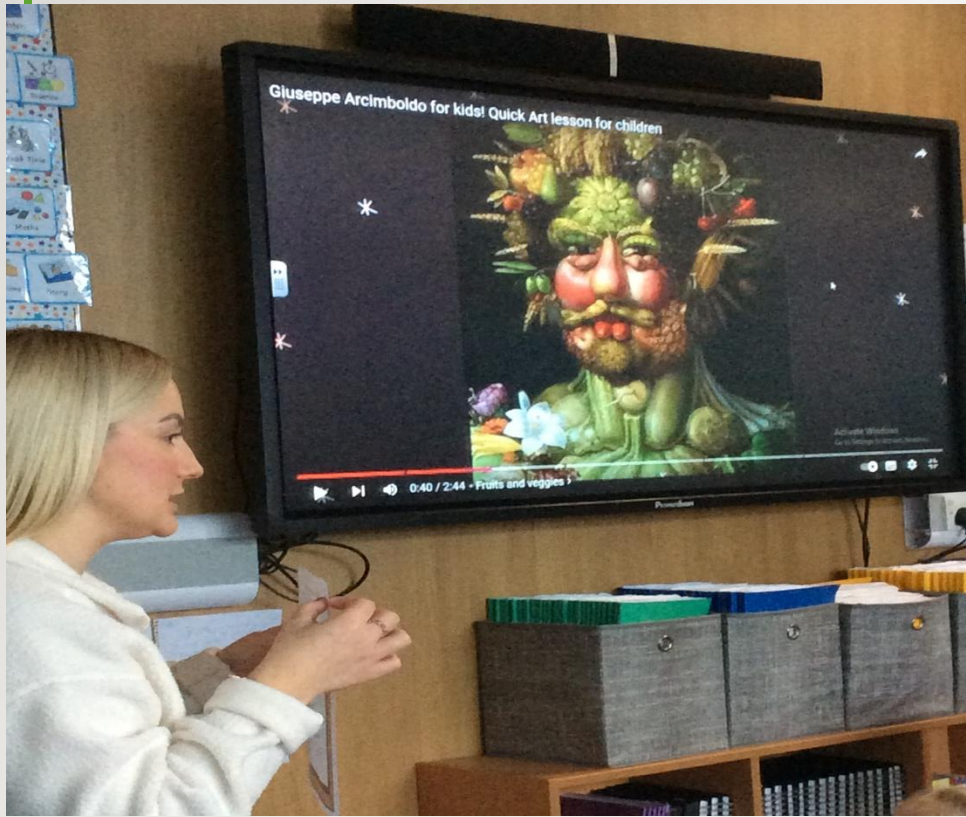
## Festival - The Carnival of Venice

We found out that the Carnival of Venice began in the 11th century. The carnival lasts 10 days and is full of dancing and acrobats. People wear masks to hide their identity and wear lavish clothing.





Year 3 worked very hard creating their own carnival masks.



## Italian Artist

We found out about the Italian artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo who used images of fruit and vegetables to create portraits.

# Who Was Giuseppe Arcimboldo?

Giuseppe Arcimboldo was an Italian artist who was born in 1527 (nearly 500 years ago!).



# What Did Giuseppe Arcimboldo Do?

Giuseppe Arcimboldo painted pictures of different fruits, vegetables, meat and fish together to make portraits of people.



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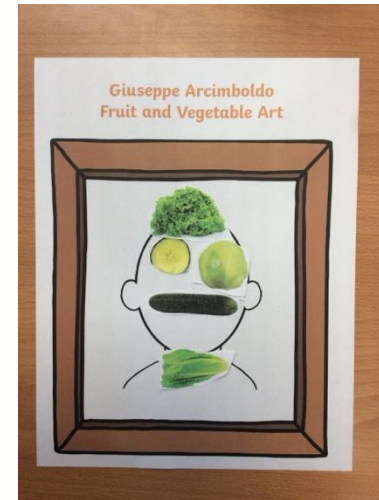
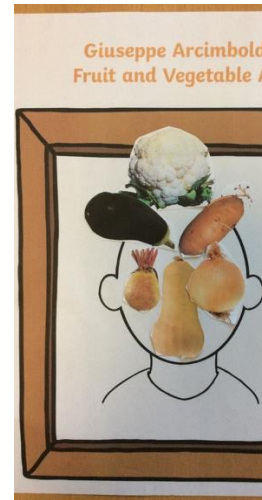
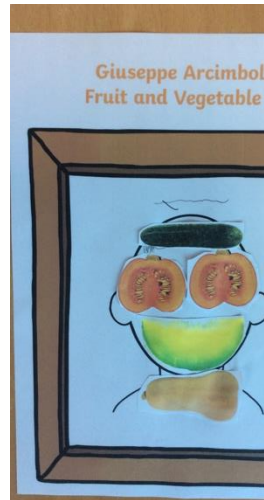


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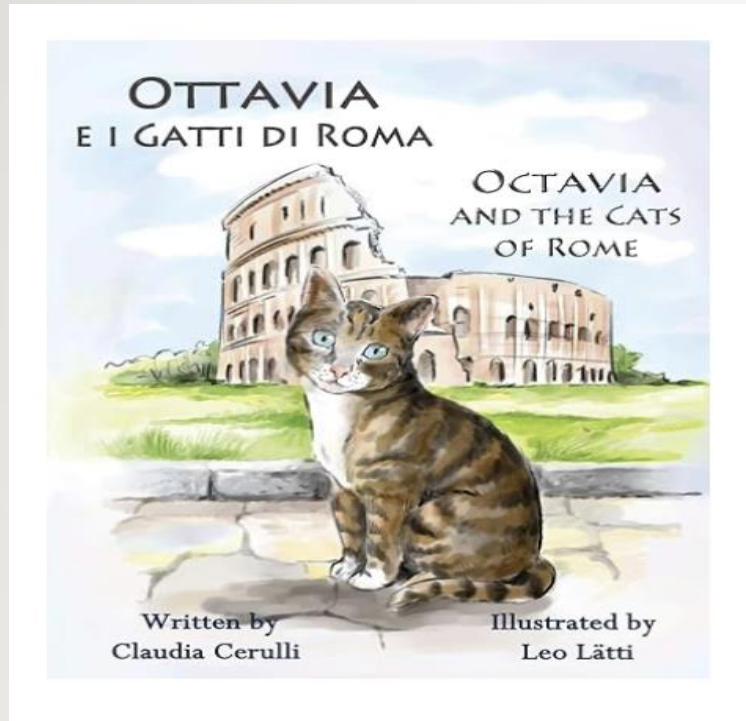


## Art in the style of Giuseppe Arcimboldo

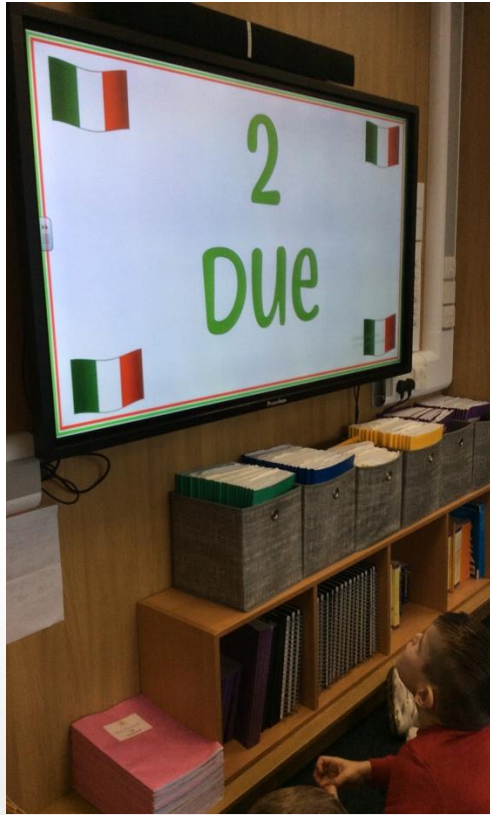


Some of our finished pictures.

## Italian story



We listened to a story about Octavia, a cat that lived in the Colosseum. She went on an adventure with her cousin Julius visiting the different landmarks in Rome such as the Trevi fountain and the Spanish steps before returning home to the Colosseum. The book is dual language with both Italian and English.



## Language

We learnt how to say hello, goodbye, good morning, how are you? and count to ten.



## What the pupils said about the day?

"I enjoyed finding out about Italy and learning how to say the different words in Italian." – Daniels.

" World Hello day is important because you learn about children from different places, and you learn lots of new facts." Shelby.

"I enjoyed creating the art with the fruit and vegetables. I think the face I made is funny." Max.

"My favourite part was speaking Italian in worship when we shared our days learning." – Charisma.