Year 3 Activities Summer 1 ‘A Village in India’

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| Can you create an information page about animals which can commonly be found in India? Perhaps you could include photos or pictures. Think about the non-chronological reports we produced in class. | Indian food is very popular all over the world. With your parents’ help can you cook an Indian dish? We would love to see pictures of you doing this. You could produce a menu and your family could act as ‘restaurant critics’ and give you feedback! | Can you draw, paint or collage the Indian flag and explain what each part of it means? | Can you make a small house from cardboard and decorate it with a Gond design? You can find examples of Gond designs on the internet. |
| Pretend that you are a sports reporter who has travelled to India. Can you write a report about which sports are most popular there? Ask someone to help you to record it if you like as though you are on the TV or radio. Get creative, make a studio set up! | Pretend that you are a child visiting Sheerhatch Primary School from the school in Chembakoli. What would you write about in a letter home to explain the differences between the two schools?  Think about the layout of your letter. Where does the address and date go? | Mendhi designs are very popular and traditional in India. Draw around your hand on a piece of paper and create your own designs. For wedding mendhi, the bride and groom’s initials or names are hidden in the designs. Can you hide any messages in yours? | The game of chess originated in India. If you have a chess set at home, could you learn how to play? If you don’t have a set, perhaps you could make the pieces you need (even just drawing them onto pieces of paper) so that you can learn to play with your family. |
| During festivals in India, rangoli patterns are made out of colour sand on the floor. They are bright and use vibrant colours. They can also be symmetrical. Make your own rangoli design and try to keep it symmetrical. How many lines of symmetry can you use? Can you make a large rangoli pattern using chalks outside for everyone else to see? | Yoga originated in India. Find an online or you tube children’s yoga class and join in. Keep a diary of how you are getting on with it and how your mental wellbeing is. Think about the gratitude journals we did in school. Think of 3 things each day to add to your journal. | Families are very important to everyone and it is not unusual for all members of the family to live together in India. This means living with parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. With the help of your family, can you create your family tree? Maybe you could include drawings or photos of your family members. | Rudyard Kipling was a very famous author who was born in India. He wrote The Jungle Book and the Just So Stories. If you can, read some of his stories and poems and write a book review. You may be able to find them free on the internet, or perhaps if you have access to a kindle (or even just the app on a phone or tablet) you could download them. |

<https://www.actionaid.org.uk/school-resources/search/s/topic/0-2371> this website has some information which you might find useful for our ‘Village in India’ topic.