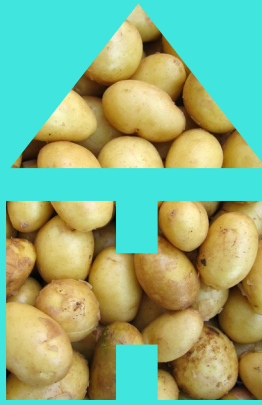
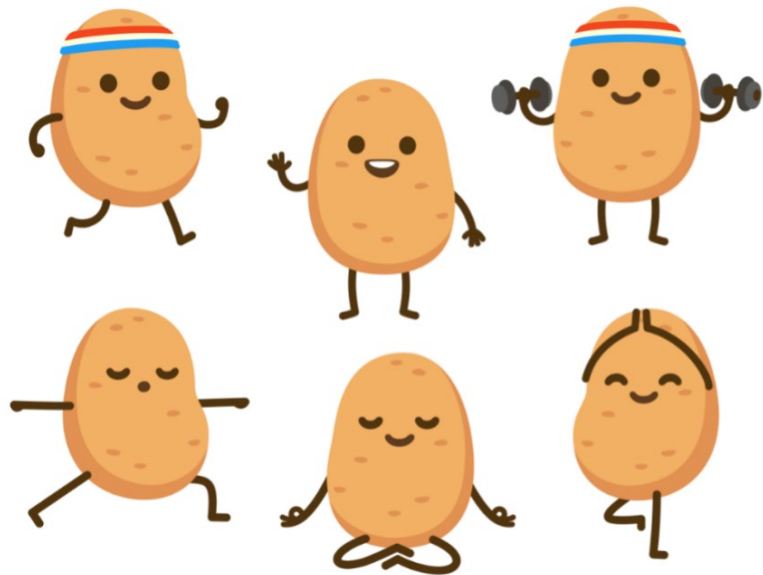


**3rd & 4th Class
Geography**



The Potato

In today's lesson, we learned about the humble but very versatile potato.



Did you know that the average Irish person eats 85 kilograms of potatoes in a year?

Even though we eat so many potatoes and the Irish soil is perfect for growing them, potatoes are not from Ireland. In fact, the potato originates from Peru in South America and was brought to Europe by the Spanish in the 16th century.

We eat potatoes in many different ways, from chips, to roast potatoes to crisps! There are many different varieties of potato but the Rooster is the most widely grown potato in Ireland.



Exercise 1

How well do you know potatoes?

01 True or False, there is a National Potato Day in Ireland?

02 What is the name of this traditional Irish dish?



03 True or False, the first vegetable grown in Space was the potato?



Exercise 1

04 What is the most popular potato in Ireland?
A) Rooster B) Kerrs Pink C) Maris Piper

05 True or False, 80% of a potato is water?

06 How well do you know your famous potatoes?
Match the names of these life-size potatoes with their pictures!

A) Mr Tayto



B) Mr Potato Head



C) Spuddy Buddy





Match the Veg!

Can you match the vegetable with how it grows above ground? The vegetables are, in order, potato, onion, carrot, turnip and beetroot.



Joke time!

What do you get when you cross a potato with an elephant?

Mashed potatoes!

Why do make potatoes make good detectives?

Because they keep their eyes peeled!

Answers: Exercise 1: 01 – True. It's on October 2nd. 02 – It is called Colcannon and is made from mashed potatoe and cababge. 03 – True. NASA grew potatoes in Space in 1995. 04 – Rooster! They are the spuds with a dark pink or red colour. 05 – True! Question 6 – A2, B3, C1 - Spuddy Buddy is the mascot of the Idaho Potato Commission in the USA. **Match the Veg:**

