AIMS & LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

To examine and discuss the meaning of the lyrics of the song ‘Gee Seven’

To learn history, geography and maths facts relating to the G7 song lyrics

RESOURCES

PowerPoint explaining the lyrics (click here)

Gee Seven song (https://www.sing2g7.org/)

Song lyrics (page 3)

TEACHER INPUT

Go through the PowerPoint with the pupils, stopping and discussing as needed.

Play the song as needed.

PUPIL ACTIVITIES

Teacher-led discussion to support learning and understanding of the lyrics of the song.

Extension activities highlighted on the PowerPoint as needed, for example:

Who was Pythagoras?

What are the seven continents? Can you find them on a map?

What are the names of the seven hills of Rome?

See how far you get squaring a number and then cubing it.

Other activities at teacher’s discretion.

PLENARY

Use the knowledge to bring the meaning of the song to life when it is sung.
Gee Seven – you’re an influential integer
Gee Seven – as the centuries unfold
Gee Seven – from the dawn of our existence
Gee Seven – now the story can be told

Seven days of the Creation, seven colours of the rainbow
Seven wonders of the ancient world
And seven stormy seas
Through prehistoric darkness, the seven planets wandered
No other number squared or cubed
Has qualities like these

Gee Seven – you’re such a lucky numeral
Gee Seven – forever in your prime
Gee Seven – for all your sins and virtues
Gee Seven – for now and for all time

When Pythagoras of Samos first addressed his list of numbers
Searched physical and mystical
For explanations, signs
He saw none were more intriguing than seven in its mystery
He knew that seven mattered
Knew where to draw the lines

Gee Seven – we recognise your majesty
Gee Seven – your magic will prevail
Gee Seven – so sing out loud the seven notes
Gee Seven – on the diatonic scale

Look up and see the seven stars, look down and see our world
Its seven mighty continents
Our only earthly home
Of gold and silver, copper, tin, of iron, lead and mercury
Seven metals of antiquity
And seven hills of Rome

Gee Seven – let nation speak to nation
Gee Seven – don’t let the others down
Gee Seven – don’t forget the not so fortunate
Gee Seven – or we’ll run you out of town

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