



Our World

Week Beginning: Monday 14 December 2020



This Week in Our World...

This week the focus of **'Our World'** is the World's largest iceberg, called A68a, that broke away from an ice shelf in Antarctica in July 2017.

The iceberg measured nearly 6,000 sq. km - about a quarter of the size of Wales – when it first broke away. It now measures approximately 4,200 sq. km, which is an area closer to that of an English county like Somerset.

Where is Antarctica in the world?



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WORLD MAP



0 1,000 2,000 Miles
0 1,000 2,000 3,000 Kilometers

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The story so far...

'A68a' the world's biggest iceberg is heading towards the British Overseas Territory of South Georgia, in the Southern Atlantic Ocean.

The massive chunk of ice broke off from Antarctica back in 2017, and scientists have been following its path ever since.

Its progress is being monitored by satellites which have sensors which can see through clouds so they can watch what's going on even in bad weather.



What could happen?

With the enormous iceberg heading for South Georgia, there is concern that it could become stuck in shallow water and lodge itself offshore, close to where wildlife lives.

That could be bad news for the animals living there, like penguins and seals, who might have to travel further to get food for their young.

It's not only penguins and sea lions that will be affected, any creatures that live on the seafloor could be crushed by the weight of the iceberg.



What could happen?

Not all the impacts would be negative though, for example, icebergs bring with them enormous quantities of dust that will fertilise the ocean plankton around them, and this will then provide food for animals up the food chain.

An RAF aircraft has obtained images of the world's biggest iceberg as it drifts through the South Atlantic. The A400m transporter flew low over the 4,200-sq-km block to get up to date footage.



Article of the Week

All Articles

For the last week of 2020, in school, it is an ideal opportunity to think about all the Articles in the UNCRC and how we promote as many as we can within school.

It is also a good opportunity to recap the ABCDE of rights...

A

Rights are for
ALL children.

UNIVERSAL

B

Rights are there
at BIRTH.

INHERENT

C

Rights CANNOT
be taken away.

INALIENABLE

D

Rights DO NOT
have to be earned.

UNCONDITIONAL

E

All rights are
EQUALLY important.

INDIVISIBLE

Thank you all for your continued support and for respecting your own and each others' rights.



footage

Footage

Noun - part of a cinema or television film recording a particular event.





Watch...



Clip 1 (BBC News on YouTube)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=171qMEvQBuu>