



Embedding Carnival in the Curriculum FLAGSHIP SCHOOLS CASE STUDY:

## Foxdell School Year 1 Rio de Janeiro Carnival











## Rio de Janerio Carnival

Town: Rio de Janerio

Country: Brazil



It began in 1850. Groups of people would parade through the streets playing music and dancing. The rich would dress as the poor and the poor would dress as the rich. Men would dress as women. Later on they began to have competitions. People would perform with live music.

It has become one of the biggest events in the World. Lots of people visit the carnival.

The main part of the carnival is the Samba parade.

Rio Carnival is a 4 day celebration. It comes 40 days before Easter. It finishes on Fat Tuesday which is the last day before Lent. During Lent Christians are supposed to live simply. Carnival can be seen as a final act of having fun before Lent begins.

Rio Carnival is the result of months of preparation. People look forward to the start of each year's Rio Carnival. It begins with the crowning of the Fat King who is presented with a giant silver and gold key by the city's mayor.

Then it is Carnival all over the place, in the streets and squares, clubs and all other venues, taking over the whole city of Rio and ending in the Samba Parade.



