

English

This term all of our writing will be linked to our topic theme of 'The Rainforest.'

We will be developing the skill of crafting narratives by planning exciting settings, characters and plot. Children will learn how to use descriptive devices such as alliteration, personification, simile and metaphor. In addition, we will develop our ability to vary sentence structure for effect.

Our non-fiction focus will be on discussion texts. The children will investigate and explore the issues surrounding conservation of the rainforests and learn to debate from different points of view. They will learn how to structure arguments for and against and begin to write an extended non-fiction piece with greater cohesion.

Science

Sound unit of work. The children will conduct a sound survey using data loggers and learn about pitch and amplitude (volume). They will make a string telephone to explore how sounds change over distance before investigating the best materials to use for soundproofing.

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This term's topic is about Rainforests where we will learn about what rainforests are, where they are located and what animals live there. We are also combining Science work and learning about classification systems.

Maths

We will start the term by looking at data presented in bar charts and line graphs where the children will learn how to interpret, complete and construct their own.

This final term there will be a focus on deepening conceptual learning of different mathematical concepts taught so far. This will start with converting between units of measure including solving harder word problems.

Then we will move onto fractions with a heavy emphasis on the decimal equivalents and conversions.

As a result of completing some assessments early in the half term, any other areas that are identified as needing further input will also be taught to get the children ready for starting year 5.

Computing

Children will continue to consider ways in which to keep themselves safe online. They will then use a range of multimedia to create an advertising video clip about visiting a country with a rainforest.

RE

With a focus back to Judaism, this term the children will learn about how Jewish people commit themselves to God.

PSHE

We will be looking at 'Changing Me' where the children think about what makes them unique before learning about how babies grow and how their own bodies change as they get older.

Art

The children will learn about Henri Rousseau and analyse his paintings of different jungle scenes. They will then make create their own interpretation of a jungle scene using a range of media.

PE

In Class PE, the children will be doing sports day practice. With Mr Barnett, children will develop their athletic skills.

Geography & History

We will learn about countries with rainforests and the different layers within a rainforest. Children will choose an animal to study and think about the effects of deforestation upon rainforest habitat.

Linking with Science, children will use classification keys to classify vertebrates into different groups before doing the same process with invertebrates. They will then design their own classification key to identify rainforest animals.

Reminders

Tuesday 12th June: Y3/4 Sports day AM

Saturday 23rd June: School Fete 2-4pm

Tuesday 26th & Thursday 28th June: Class trips to Wagamama in the morning

Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th June: Parents evenings

Friday 29th June: TD day.

Tuesday 10th July: Trip to the Living Rainforest

Monday 23rd July: Open Evening 3:30-4:30