

### English

In English, the children will be developing their skills in a range of texts related to our topic on the Rainforests including narrative, explanation and an informal letter.

In Guided Reading, the children will be looking at a text called 'Rainforest Calling'. This term we will be focusing on developing their understanding of why authors make specific word selections and the impact that has on the reader.

The children will also be consolidating their understanding of particular language features such as fronted adverbials, as well as learning how to use a range of poetic devices.

### French

This term our topic is 'On the move'. The children will be learning how to ask for and give directions. They will also be learning the vocabulary for the different types of transportation.

### PE

In PE this term, the children will be working to continue to develop their hand-eye coordination skills within handball, netball and basketball.

### PSHE

In PSHE, the focus will be on the children understanding who they are and celebrating similarities and differences as part of the school community and wider community.

### Science

Our topic for this term is Electricity. The children will be learning how to make a simple series circuit and how switches are used. They will also be learning about insulators and conductors as well as being able to identify electrical items around the home and how to be safe around these items.

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### DT

The children will be building on their sewing skills by learning new stitches and a sewing technique called applique. They will be making their own design decisions and thinking about how they can make their product appealing to the intended user.

### Diary Dates

The Living Rainforest trip this term on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November.

RLK Christmas Fayre – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### Maths

The children will continue to learn how to identify and describe triangles and quadrilaterals by their properties, as well as well as creating symmetry in shapes and patterns.

Next, they will be developing their multiplication and division skills, learning the multiplication and division facts for the 6, 7 and 9 times table. They will then look at the effect of multiplying by 1 and 0, and dividing by 1.

In addition and subtraction, the children will be learning different methods for calculating mentally, using their knowledge of place value from Term 1.

The children will continue with Times Table Rock Stars to build on and consolidate their knowledge.

### Computing

This term, children will be continuing to build on their coding skills and learning how to use the internet and social media safely.

### Music

Class 9 will have recorder lessons every Tuesday for the first three terms with a teacher from the Swindon Music services. Class 10 will be learning music notation through playing the glockenspiel.

### Geography

This term our topic is 'Rainforests'. The children will begin by learning about longitude and latitude, and locating countries that are on the equator. They will then compare climate in temperate and tropical zones, before exploring the different layers of a rainforest. Finally, the children will learn about the water cycle and why it happens quicker in the Amazon.

### RE

This term the children will be considering what the most significant part of the Nativity is for Christians today.