

English

This half term, children will devise and write their own poetry linked to the rainforest. They will also be writing setting descriptions and a recount of our school trip to Tropical World. Throughout the term, children will continue to develop their vocabulary use and SPAG knowledge. Children will be reading a range of books in Guided Reading and reading homework to improve comprehension.

Geography Children will identify where rainforests are in the world and will use grid references and a compass to locate these places. They will look at the different layers of the rainforest, and the animals and plants in each layer. They will look at the weather and climate in a rainforest environment and compare it to the weather and climate in the UK.

Art Children will use and keep a sketchbook to record their observations and use them to explore their ideas. To link with our topic of rainforests children will create their own rainforest artwork and focus on drawing plants.

DT / Cooking

Linking to our topic learning, children will design and create their own rainforest animal using levers and

Music Children will focus on Samba and music from Brazil. They will develop their ability to play four different instruments producing different rhythms to make Samba music.

French

Children will learn how to say and recognise the seasons in French.

Computing

Children will develop their understanding of basic coding. Using World of Code they will design and create their own code to get a character to follow instructions and answer some basic questions.

PSHE

PSHE lessons will focus on celebrating difference. Children will learn that there are similarities and differences between all people and how we should accept and respect these. They will also learn about what it means to be part of a group/ community.

Science- Plants

In science, children will be identifying and describing the different features of plants, exploring what plants need to survive and investigating how water is transported in a plant. They will also be learning about the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.

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Maths—Length, perimeter and fractions

Children will develop their ability to measure length accurately using appropriate units of measure. They will also develop an understanding of perimeter and how to calculate it. Children will be introduced to the concept of fractions, investigating how to find fractions of amounts as well as adding and subtracting unit fractions. Regular arithmetic tests will allow children to further improve their mental mathematics and ability to complete questions under test conditions.

RE delivered by Mrs Elders

This half term's key question is 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday?''. Pupils will learn about Salvation and understand how Christians today observe Holy week. They will look at the various events of Holy Week and understand the impact of the bible stories.

This half term's Christian value is forgiveness. Pupils will be exploring what forgiveness is, the importance of hope, and how it can be shown.

Physical Education

During PE sessions children will continue to develop coordination and body movement to an increasing complexity.

Learning Log/Homework

To link with our science learning, children will be asked to research plants and produce something creative.