

Safeguarding

We will be understanding the impact of online activity on mental, emotional and physical health. As we are swimming, we will also revisit water safety.



Maths
As mathematicians, we will be applying our learning from this year to complete a range of problem solving and reasoning activities.

English

Using the text 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell the children will be using all the skills learnt in Year 5 to write a detailed character and setting description and a non-chronological report

Computing

We will be learning how to programme a robot to move in different directions in order to successfully navigate the terrain of the Amazon forest in search of the lost children. To do this we will be using Lego WeDo.



Geography

We will be linking our geography of longitude, latitude and the Tropics of Capricorn and Cance to our art learning.

Could you survive — and protect — the rainforest like an explorer?



PSHE

We will be learning about safety and the changing body. This will include changes to our body as we grow older and how our bodies change during puberty.

DT

We will be learning about food and developing recipes using food grown in our school grounds and comparing it to the Amazon.

Geography

In geography we will explore the Amazon Rainforest, learning about its climate, location, and global significance. We will study biomes, vegetation belts, and key geographical features like the Equator and tropics. We will also investigate how the land is used in the Amazon.

PE

This half term we will be practising running and agility in athletics. We will also be attending swimming lessons at Havant Leisure centre.

Outdoor Learning

We will be continuing our trailblazing activities and linking them to our learning about the rainforest.

Music

We will be creating jungle soundscapes using body percussion techniques such as clapping, stomping, patting and clicking.

Science

We will be learning about the changes in animals including humans as they develop into older age. We will also describe the life process of reproduction.

RE

As theologians we will be exploring the concept Humansim and how this links to our Core school value of COURAGE.

ART

We will be studying the artistic style of a British artist called John Dyer. We will be creating our own 'Spirit of the Rainforest' art using mixed media.



HOME LEARNING

During this half term please complete the following tasks at home:

Reading - Daily

- Make sure that you have a challenging, age-appropriate book 'on the go' at all times. If you are not sure what to read next remember to use the year 5 list shared at the beginning of the year.
- You never know when we might ask you about what you are reading currently!

WEEKLY

Maths

Check Google Classroom for any bi-weekly learning that has been uploaded.

Use TTRS to ensure that you know all of your times tables and related division facts up to 12 X 12.

Can you increase your score on our weekly times table test?

English

Check Google Classroom for any bi-weekly learning that has been uploaded.

Ensure that you can read and write all of the common exception words for your own personal coloured card.

Also learn any spellings or grammar and punctuation learning sent home which will enhance the learning taking place in class.

DURING THIS HALF TERM CHOOSE FROM THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

Rainforest Adventure Story - English

Write a short story starting with:
"As I stepped into the thick jungle, a thousand sounds filled the air..."

Try to use lots of descriptive language and include rainforest animals or dangers.

Poem: Voices of the Forest

Write a poem from the point of view of the rainforest or one of its animals.

Think about rhythm and repetition.

You can even perform it and record your own "poetry slam"!

Persuasive Letter

Write a letter to a newspaper or world leader asking them to help protect the Amazon Rainforest.

Use facts, emotive language, and strong opinions.

ART

Using whatever media you prefer, create a work of art. Your inspiration - The Rainforest!

Rainforest Map Detective - Geography

- Find a map of South America and locate the Amazon Rainforest.
- Mark the countries it spreads across.

BONUS: Draw your own map showing rivers, rainforest areas, and any nearby cities.

Amazon Rainforest Fact File

- Create a fact file or poster about the Amazon. Include information such as:
 - Location
 - Climate
 - Animals
 - Importance to the world
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Weather Watcher

- Research what the weather is like in the Amazon.
- Keep a diary comparing the weather in your town with the Amazon for 5 days.

Rainforest Creature Research - Science

- Pick a rainforest animal (e.g. sloth, poison dart frog, jaguar).
- Create a mini report or video explaining:
 - What it eats
 - Where it lives in the rainforest (canopy, forest floor, etc.)
 - Any special adaptations it has

Plant Hunter

- Learn about 3 plants found in the rainforest. Sketch them and label their special features.
- Can you find any similar plants near your home or local park?

Mini Rainforest in a Jar (Optional)

- Create your own terrarium using a clear jar, soil, moss, and small plants.
- Watch how moisture is recycled like in the real rainforest!