

English

We will be basing all of our writing this term around two key texts. The Great Kapok Tree and The Explorer. We will be writing survival guides, stories, persuasive writing and the children will be completing their own research projects.

Geography

We will use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied. This will be with a focus on South America and rainforests. We will use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features.

DT (Cooking and Nutrition)

We are going to make a product that requires Pneumatics to power moving parts. We will test, plan, make and review models linked to the rainforest.

PSCHE

We will explore feelings within the context of our important relationships including family and friends. Then we will tackle the issue of change which aims to equip children with an understanding of different types of change, positive and negative, and common human responses to it.

Maths

We will be looking at counting in steps of 5, 7 and 9 then identifying, representing and estimating numbers using different representations. We will be reviewing the use of column methods for addition and subtraction and applying this to problem solving. In geometry we will be describing positions on a grid as co-ordinates and translating shapes, describing the movement between points then finding the perimeter and area of rectilinear shapes. We will be interpreting and presenting data including continuous data.

Rainforest Explorers

Summer Term 2018

French

We will be performing simple communicative tasks using simple words and short phrases, recognising and responding to sound patterns and words.

Art

During the first half term we are going to be making observational drawings of 3D forms based on the Rainforest .
We are then moving onto a focus on mono printing in the second half term.

Science

We will be looking at environmental change by re-searching recording and discussing the impact of deforestation. We will also be investigating states of matter and identifying solids, liquids and gases. We will be making accurate measurements and presenting data. Investigations will focus on detailed observations and fair testing.

Music

We are going to compose and perform short, rhythmic ensembles which incorporate melody. The children will learn to maintain a rhythm while accompanying a piece of music. This will be as a member of a group in a round or during a simple song.

PE

Brazil and Argentina classes are continuing to take part in weekly swimming lessons.

We will also be taking part in rounders sessions where we will throw a ball with accuracy to reach a target, learning how to field well by catching and returning the ball quickly and strike a bowled ball

Computing

We will learn to insert text, pictures or photos to enhance presentations. The children will learn to use tools such as copy, cut, align and paste. We will also use spell check and thesaurus facilities to review text. These skills will be used to present our own research projects.