

Visits and visitors/WOW outcome
Tastes of the Rainforest

Spring Term Plan Year 6

Key events



Outdoor learning opportunities

TBC

Writing genres

Character Description	Persuasive Letter
Atmospheric narrative	Narrative from an alternative viewpoint
Non-chronological report	

English - This term, we will be basing the first block of learning on a story set within the Amazon rainforest. We will explore the text 'The Explorer' and use the text to create a character description and by re-writing part of the text from an alternative viewpoint (a character within the text). We will use our inference skills to understand that characters in more depth and develop ways in which authors use speech to enhance the character. Other texts we will look at include 'There's a Rangan in my bedroom.' From this text, we will create a descriptive narrative depicting the life of an Orangutan watching the destruction of the rainforest. Following this, we will write a formal letter, persuading companies to consider alternatives to palm oil. Towards the end of the term, we will look at non-chronological reports and create our own about a rainforest animal.

Maths - Throughout the term, we will continue with our Mastery approach to Maths. We will cover elements from all parts of the Key Stage 2 curriculum and we will cover all 3 aims of the National Curriculum, which are: Fluency, Reasoning and Problem Solving. For the majority of the term, we will focus on F.D.P: fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also study measurements, Area and Perimeter, Word Problems and Algebra.

Geography - We will begin our term studying the rainforest, with a particular focus on the Amazon. The children will look at where the Amazon is, what its climate is like, layers of the rainforest, animals and plants found there as well as deforestation: what is causing it and its impact.

Art - Our art this term will link closely to our topic and be themed around the Amazon rainforest. We will start by focusing on Romero Britto (a famous artist from Brazil) to develop skills to create a final piece of art based in the style of Romero Britto of a rainforest animal.

Computing - Computing in the Spring term will focus on web page creation. The children will explore different types of media and design and build a webpage, based on a topic of their choice.

Science - Our topic this term is 'Living things and their habitats.' In this unit, we will learn how living organisms are classified, exploring the pioneering work of taxonomist Carl Linnaeus. We will also investigate micro-organisms.

History - In the second half term, we will be studying Mayan civilisation as a non-European society that provides contrast to British history. In this topic, we will look at where Mayan civilisation took place, religion, number system, exploration and discovery, writing and food.

DT - Linking with our Geography topic, we will focus on looking at where food is produced in the world and things that impact growth e.g. seasonality. The children will then create their own seasonal dish.

PE - In Spring, the children will develop their skills in 'net and wall' games. They will practice to improve accuracy, using a racket and learn to think tactically to beat their opponent. Their second unit, yoga, will support the children in understanding mindfulness and body awareness.

Music - During this term, the children will explore the Fresh Prince of Bel Air. They will explore the structure of the song and how the pulse, rhythm and beat changes within the music. The children will also develop their ability to sing as part of an ensemble.

French - Children will continue to practice speaking, listening, reading and writing in French, with a focus this term on 'my house', where they will be able to say what type of house they live and the rooms inside it.

PSHE - Dreams and Goals & Healthy Me

In this unit, the children will explore aspirations, how to achieve goals and understanding the emotions that go with this. As well as this, we will look at how to keep our bodies healthy.

R.E - This unit focuses on Hinduism and covers key Hindu concepts about life, death and rebirth.