

Why should the rainforest be important to us all?



Year 5/6

Term 1 – 2026

Key Areas of Learning

As **geographers**, we will be learning about rainforests. The children will be learning about where in the world they are located and then will be able to describe the main features of the Amazon rainforest. We will consider the importance of biodiversity and explore the different points of view when considering the future of the planet.

As **scientists**, we will be following in the footsteps of Carl Linnaeus and working on classifying creatures. We will be making observations and asking questions to help us to record data and draw conclusions which will help us to group creatures together.

English

Our chosen text for our reading is the Explorer, which will take us on a journey through the Amazon rainforest to link with our Geography learning.

In our Talk for Writing sessions, we will be focusing on writing with Suspense by bringing the setting to life and building tension through our characters' reactions.

Maths

This term the focus is on Number.

Within Number we shall be covering Place Value and Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division.

RE

We will be looking at Sikhism and considering the importance of the Guru Granth Sahib.

German

This term we will be practicing how we greet people in German and giving our names and ages. We will also be learning our numbers to 12.

Computing

This term we will be developing our understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between different systems and devices.

Art

We will be looking at drawing and tone, using techniques and materials to explore this.

Music

This term, each class will be evaluating emotions evoked by different scores in Film Music and compose their own.

PE

The children will be playing football looking at passing effectively as well as attacking and defense tactics.

We will also be learning about running. The children will be looking at the difference between running for speed and distance, exploring pacing and racing strategies.

PSHE

This term we will be thinking about goals for this year, our rights and responsibilities as citizens of our country.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Awareness

Our assembly focus this term will be Respect. We will be viewing this through the lens of our 'Be safe, Be kind, Be ready' edict. Each class will be electing Eco and School Councilors as well as Reflective Area Monitors. We end the term with our International Week!