

## KS2 - Spring

### Amazon Adventures

#### Topic

Our learning this half-term is based on finding out about the Amazon rainforest, as well as rainforests in general. We will look at where they are in the world, the features of the different habitats in the rainforest and the people and creatures that live there.

#### English

**The Hidden Forest:** Using the story of the kelp forests and their desolation the children write a non-chronological report for a documentary and create a debate on how best to sustain the remaining areas.

**The Explorer:** Using the story of a family stranded in the Amazon Rainforest, the children diary extracts and letters home as a strandeer before planning and writing their own stranded story.

**Mathematics:** we are continuing with our Maths Mastery journey this half term - using bar models, part-part whole models and Gattegno charts.

**Measurement:** developing understanding of length, mass and capacity through exploring different units of measure (including imperial units for UKS2), converting units of measure and addition and subtraction of measurements.

**Fractions, Decimals and Percentages:** developing understanding of fractions of shapes and numbers, calculating fractions and identifying fractions of a whole.

#### Design Technology

We will be creating bird feeders for the outdoor area and designing and making a shelter linked to our learning in Geography.

#### Art and Design

Our work in Art and Design will be closely linked to our topic and will include creating artworks based on the flora and fauna found in rainforest environments. We will examine the paintings of Henri Rousseau and create a whole class artwork based on his work.

## Science

Our work in Science will cover living things and their habitats. We will explore what lives in our local environment, as well as the creatures that live in the rainforest.

## Computing

In Computing, we will be learning about podcasts and using software to create sounds by recording, editing and playing. We will then research and plan digital content for a radio podcast before recording the podcast.

## RE

Our work in RE will focus on the Sikh religion. We will learn how it started and what it means to be a Sikh, including Sikh beliefs and practices.

## PE Multi-Skills

Our work in PE will be based on developing our skills in Tennis. We will learn how to move in different ways on a court, improve our hand/eye co-ordination and our ability to control the ball.

## French

The content of our learning in French will be about ourselves. We will learn French words and phrases based on classroom instructions, actions, colours and clothes.

## PHSE

This will be based on the SEAL unit of work 'Getting on and Falling Out' and will include trying to see things from another person's point of view. We will be exploring how we can control our own feelings and how to resolve conflict. There will be a strong focus on teamwork and how we can work together.