

Rainforests

In this topic children will learn about the Rainforests. They will discover what they are and the types of wildlife that can be found there. They will also explore where in the world they are and how they differ to forests in our country. We will be reading books such as The Great Kapok Tree, Greta and the Giants and a range of books created by Jeannie Baker.



Race Leys
Infant School

Year 2 Summer 2nd Half Term



In **English** we will;

Rewrite the ending of our story of the Great Kapok Tree.

We will be learning about the threat to the Rainforests and how people like Greta Thunberg are trying to help.

We will be writing letters and persuasive speeches.

In **Science** we will;

Recap previous learning looking at what animals need to live and survive.

Exploring plants and animals in their microhabitats and how habitats in other places of the world are similar or different.

How animals and plants are part of food chains.

In **Geography** we will;

Locating key rainforests on a world map and within Atlases.

Exploring what it is like in the Rainforest and the plants and animals that can be found there.

Making comparisons between the Amazon Rainforest and a forest in the UK.

Key Vocabulary

Climate, deforestation, protection, equator, weather, species, Amazon Rainforest, layers, locations.

Life processes, food chains, food sources, habitat, microhabitat, depend, survive.

In our **wider curriculum**

Children will continue with their Music learning exploring pitch, rhythm and musical instruments.

Children will be able to practice the value of Teamwork within our PE lessons.

In **Computing** we will;

Making music with online programmes.

Presenting our ideas from other areas of the curriculum using different media.

In **Art and Design** we will;

Looking closely at the work of Eric Carle and creating our own textured paper to make Rainforest images.

Manipulating materials to make different sculptures.

We will be exploring materials and shapes that can be used to make solid and secure structures.

Extra Opportunities this half term...

- Transition Events with their Junior Schools
- School Trip (TBC)
- Gribbly Bugs Visit to school
- Sports Day
- Health and Wellbeing week
- Leavers Play
- End of school celebration

This Half Term's school
value is
Teamwork