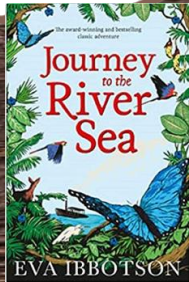


Spring in Year 4

English

This exciting theme lends itself well to a variety of different types of writing. We will be exploring the wildlife that inhabits the rainforest and then writing a non-chronological report about a selected animal. We will then quest into adventure stories which leads us to half term. After half term, our focus will be dilemma writing; contemplating the ethics and questions in regards to deforestation. We end Spring term learning about persuasive techniques in order to play our part in protecting our planet.

We are reading...



Poetry

We will also be learning, performing and writing Limerick poetry. Our main focus for this unit of poetry is the use of vocabulary in order to create a desired effect on the reader.

Maths

This term we will be continuing to develop our fluency, reasoning and problem solving in multiplication and division. We will then spend two weeks on length and perimeter before we move onto our longest block of learning about fractions. After consolidation of this, we will introduce decimals for the remainder of Spring.

Art

Inspired by Henri Matisse, Year 4 will be focusing on developing their skills of painting. They will explore texture, tone and techniques in order to create their own painting.



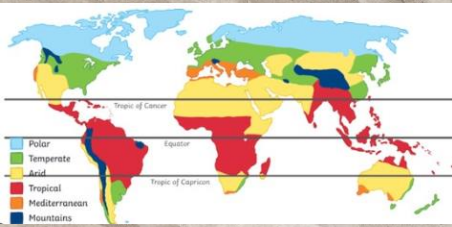
Science

This term we are learning all Classification and food chains. The children will be able to recall their learning about the human digestive system, including teeth, and compare this with a range of animals in our local area and within the rainforest. The children will then be able to devise their own experiment based around adaptation. We will be using a range of instruments and resources in order to conduct these experiments.

Geography

During our themed learning of 'Rainforests', year 4 will explore tropical climates and explore the rainforest biome. We will explore the significance of the equator, vegetation belts and the tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.

Our learning then delves into the layers of the rainforest and how animals and plants are able to survive through adaptation.



History

As a part of our theme for Spring, we get the chance to explore the ancient civilisation of the Mayan tribe. We will compare and contrast daily life, religion and culture. Our learning will come to a conclusion by creating our own predictions as to what happened to this wonderful civilisation.



Music

Mrs Payne will be teaching Music this term on a Wednesday morning. Learning and performing top tracks from ABBA, Year 4 will delve into Mamma Mia.

P5HCE

Our P5HCE lessons begin with staying safe – a great opportunity to recall and recap online safety. After half term, year 4 will then explore how we continue to grow and change as individuals and as a collective.

Computing

During this term, year 4 will be venturing into the realm of programing. We are going to become familiar with and use two different pieces of software.

We will be using the familiar software 'Scratch' to design and create an interactive quiz and then we will use a new programme called 'Turtle Logo' to explore the concepts needed for strong computational thinking.

PE

PE lessons will continue to be delivered every Wednesday by Mrs Payne. In Spring 1, year 4 get groovy with Dance. We hope we are able to showcase our learning to you all.

In Spring 2, PE will explore on the art of gymnastics, focusing on safety, sequence and expression.