

Literacy

For the next three weeks, we will have a grammar focus. We will be focusing on spelling, punctuation and grammar. If you could please support your children at home with this, with encouraging them to complete the grammar revision booklet, that would be great.

Following on from SATS we will be continuing to learn about Jumanji and will be writing up a villain description. We will explore what a villain is and explore ones that we know. From this, we will create our own, looking at what attributes our villain might have.

Maths

This term, we will be consolidating and revising all of the key mathematical skills. We will be focusing on a variety of objectives, taking a lead from the children based upon what is needed most. Please could you support your children with practicing ten minutes of arithmetic questions a day.

History

This term we will be focusing on The Cold War, where we will be exploring the causes and what other significant events happened during this time e.g. The Space Race.

Art

Throughout Summer 1 and Summer 2 term we will be focusing on Henri Rousseau, where we will be re-creating one of his pieces (rainforests) in our own style, using sketching techniques, as well as painting and collage.

Geography

We will be using a variety of different mapping tools to locate the world's rainforests and reason as to why they are close to the equator and the tropics. We shall be exploring the importance of the lines of longitude and latitude and how these impact on weather patterns in differing areas of the world. Using these maps, we will be able to investigate how rainforests have changed over time through looking at the topographical features (human and physical) within them. Not only this, but we are going to deepen our understanding by exploring biomes and tribes within rainforests.

In relation to all of this geographical learning, we will be looking at deforestation in relation to our literacy work, understanding what it is, why it happens and the impact this will have on our environment as well as its contribution to global warming. We will also be consolidating the water cycle and natural resources.

Rainforests and Global Warming

PE

This term we will be focusing on basketball and this will be delivered to the children from an external provider. Please ensure that your child brings their P.E. kit, either at Monday and leaves this in school or on a Thursday. A reminder that P.E. kit is black shorts and a plain white t-shirt.

This term we will be learning to be compassionate global citizens. We will look at the rainforest and how global warming and deforestation affects us all!

Science

This term, we will be continuing with our living things topic. We will be focusing our learning on the outdoors, where we will be classifying natural human features e.g., trees. After this, we will be classifying animals and looking at their attributes.

After learning about living things, we will be moving on to introducing Charles Darwin, which will continue in Summer 2. We will be looking at evolution and inheritance.

P4C

As part of our Kingfisher Curriculum, this topic gives us the opportunity to explore global warming. We will introduce and explore this through our P4C debates, looking at current issues around the world.

Y6 Summer 1 Newsletter

We hope you have had a wonderful Easter break and that the children are refreshed and ready to return to school for the Summer Term.

The SATS assessment week for Year 6 will be commencing on Tuesday 9th May. The children will be completing a reading paper and 3 maths papers; arithmetic and 2 reasoning tests, as well as 2 SPAG papers: Grammar and spelling. We will be continuing to revise and practice for the SATS in the approach of 'quizzes' for children to ensure that the children feel confident about the test expectations. It is this confidence that makes all the difference so attendance is really important! We understand that this may be a time where the children begin to feel worried or anxious, we want to assure them that they are going to be completely fine and that being a little worried is normal, however we do not wish to put any stress or pressure on the children and to encourage them to do

Homework

Children should read their school reading books every night and practice their spellings for weekly tests on Fridays. We also ask for your children to be practicing their times tables. **There will also be SATS style homework available if your child would like it. They are welcome to request anything additional to support them with their maths and reading.**

PE

C13's PE is on a Tuesday afternoon.

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Important dates for your diary:

- Monday 17th April – Maths parents' workshop
 - Monday 1st May – Bank holiday
 - Monday 8th May – Bank holiday
- Week beginning Tuesday 9th May – SATS week