



Teacher: Mrs Murgatroyd/ Mrs Walsh

Class: Fistral

Year group: 3 & 4

The Rainforest

English

In English we will be exploring a range of texts from fiction and non-fiction themes on the Rainforest. We will focus on refining the use of fronted adverbials, conjunctions and using prepositions to extend sentences. The final aim is to compose a story set in the Rainforest incorporating our Guided Reading learning.

We will continue to follow our Read, Write, Inc. Spelling programme: please spend time with your child learning their fortnightly spellings.

Guided Reading

Guided reading will focus on a range of texts themed about the rainforest. We will explore Running Wild by Michael Morpurgo and the characters and settings. Alongside this, we will develop skills of locating facts and information in non-fiction books.

It is so important for the children to continue to read daily— in school and at home. Please try to do this with your child for 10 minutes a night.

Geography

Our Topic is The Rainforest which is a geography focused topic. Focusing on the Amazon rainforest in Brazil, we will explore the climate and features of the rainforest. We will also learn about deforestation and ways to raise awareness of this.

Science

The Science focus for this term is 'Plants.' The children will learn about the different parts and functions of plants. The children will then learn what plants need to survive and how they germinate and pollinate.

Music

We shall be busy rehearsing for Mary Poppins all term— performance will be on Tuesday 9th July!

Maths

With Mrs Murgatroyd, the children will continue to focus on division: refining mental methods and learning new written methods to help solve problems.

With Mrs Walsh, the children will be developing problem solving skills and consolidating the learning from this year so far .

We will continue to learn timetables—please practise at home :)

Art & Design Technology

In art, the children will continue to work with Mrs Matheison to develop sketching techniques.

In Design Technology the children will be designing and then stitching rainforest designs of butterflies or poison dart frogs from the rainforest.

PSHE

We will be following the Jigsaw programme for our SRE curriculum— please see the additional planning sheet to follow and do come in and see the teaching resources and meet us to ask any questions about this theme.