

English and Reading

Our book for this half term will be 'The Great Kapoor Tree', which is a fantastic book by Lynne Cherry. We will be using this text as the basis for our work on letter writing, descriptive language, writing speech, informative texts and our own short stories.

When reading, the children will have the opportunity to make predictions, read and retrieve information, as well as using evidence from the text to justify their answers and take on character roles, using appropriate voices that convey mood.

Maths

This half-term we will be finishing off the children's Year 3 learning, by looking at: time; angles and properties of shapes; mass; and capacity.

We will be learning about how time is measured, how to read the time, and how to figure out how much time has passed.

We will also look at what makes shapes different to each other, how to weigh and measure amounts and the volume objects can hold.

Design & Technology

Year 3's design and technology this half term will be revolving around cooking and developing their food preparation techniques.

We will link this to their class text and geography topic of 'the amazon rainforest'. The children will have the chance to plan, prepare and taste a range of different foods from this region and hopefully introduce them to new food horizons.

The children will: measure and weigh out in grams; select our own ingredients when cooking and baking; make good presentation of food; and learn about safe food storage.

Geography – The Rainforest

Our learning in geography this half-term will be on the rainforest and how it is incredibly important to us, despite being so far away.

We are going to learn about: how weather changes an environment, specifically the Amazon; the difference between weather and climate; and how to suggest ways towards a reduction in climate change.

We will also have the opportunity to conduct two investigations into measuring temperature in different regions and into measuring rainfall over a given time.

We will also experience how much it rains in the Amazon rainforest, whilst in our classroom!

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Science – Animals, including humans

In science we will be looking at different classifications of animals, including humans and what is special about each of them.

The children will be; classifying different animals; identifying that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement; creating scientific diagrams; and learning that animals cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat.

Computing

This half term the children will be opinion pollsters and will develop their understanding and ability to collect and present data.

The children will learn to: plan surveys, create questions to gather information; present this information online; create graphics to show this information; and present presentations to share their findings.

French

This half-term's topic will be L'ancienne Histoire de la Grande Bretagne (The history of Ancient Britain). The children will learn about ancient British history, such as the Norman conquest and how to describe these in French.

Religious Education (R.E)

This unit enables to children to reflect on other religions and how these live alongside Christianity. This will involve looking at stories from different religions and discussing their meaning.

Physical Education (P.E)

This half-term's focus in PE will be on the children's cognitive learning. They will learn new techniques and build upon old ones, with the intent being to develop pupils understanding of their areas to improve. The children will create a range of performances and will seek to make these better from week to week.