



Year 4

Experience: We will be practising our teamwork and sporting skills, supporting our houses in our sports day with our friends and families.

English:

In English, we will be using our creative writing skills to write a narrative. Our focus will be a journey down the Amazon River. We will be thinking about the writing features we have learnt so far and applying those to our writing.

We will then be moving on to creating a tourist guide to the Amazon. We will be immersing ourselves in the beauty of the rainforest, its flora and fauna, and using our persuasive strategies to convince our readers to take the trip of a lifetime.

We will continue our weekly spelling practice including dictations and handwriting.

Computing:

We will use Busy Beats software to create music digitally, experimenting with rhythm and tempo to electronically compose a piece of music. We will use micro-bits to think creatively and learn how inputs, outputs and computer code work together to make control systems.

PSHE + RE:

In PSHE we will be considering our health and wellbeing, including how to maintain a balanced, healthy lifestyle and appropriate RSE. In RE, we will be exploring the representation of trees and the symbolism behind them.



Topic:

Under the canopy

Geography + History:

We will be continuing to learn about the Amazon rainforest. We will be identifying the different habitats in the rainforest and how issues like deforestation have an impact. We will also be using our knowledge from geography and English to create a survival guide.

Science:

In science, we will consider different types of waste and the importance of reducing it through the 3Rs – reducing, reusing and recycling.

French:

In French, we will recap our counting skills, talk about the weather and animals.

Outdoor Learning:

We will be linking outdoor learning to our geography topic the Amazon.

Maths:

In maths, we will be continuing to work on our times tables up to 12x, learning different strategies to help us remember and apply that knowledge to our learning.

We will also be taking a deeper look into our topics and applying our skills to problems in context. This includes problems with fractions and measurements. We will then be revising and extending our learning about geometric shapes, based on their properties, identifying angles and exploring reflection and translation.

Art + Design Technology:

We will be exploring how different moving objects work and creating ideas for our own moving designs using cardboard levers and linkages to create an Amazon rainforest themed toy.

PE:

This term sees us learning the fundamentals of rounders, developing skills such as catching, aiming, concentration and power. We will also be developing our tennis skills and learning how to play the game.

Music:

In music, we will listen to a wide range of pieces, identifying different features of it and thinking about how it makes us feel. Our focus this half term is superheroes.