

Year 5—Spring Term 1

Must bring to school every day:

- Reading folder
- Reading Record
- School bag

Topic

Radiant Rainforests

PSCD Traits

Appreciation, Hope, Healthy Body, Healthy Mind, Teamwork and Judgement

Home Learning

- Reading (20 minutes each day and write three entries in the diary each week)
- Times table Rock stars
- Spellings—10 each week
- Weekly spellings will be uploaded onto Spellzone

Important dates

- P.E Days are now Tuesday and Thursday
- 29.01.25 Year 5 trip to Kew Gardens
- 11.02.25 Safer Internet Day

Please continue to check dojo Class Story for any updates or messages. Feel free to message your child's class teacher on Class Dojo with any questions or concerns (Lucia—Battersea and Courtney - Albert)

Children need to be in school at 8:30 - 8:45am each morning! This is when we take the register

Personally, Social, Character Development

We will have a weekly focus for PSCD. We will also be developing our skills within our lessons focusing on different Building Learning Power muscles that help us to achieve in our learning.

The first week's focus has been Hope - a timely reminder for children to eat healthily, drink lots of water and get plenty of sleep and exercise.

History, Geography & Social Understanding

Our main focus this term is the Geography and geology or rainforests. We will be looking at plants, humans and animals that live in rainforests as well as the how rainforests are impacted by climate change. We will also be learning about ancient Maya—a civilisation that lived and thrived in the rainforests of Central America.

Science and Technological Understanding

Science this term will focus on the life-cycle of plants and animals. We will be revising our knowledge of the classification of living things and the human impact on the climate. The children will also be learning about habitats of plants and animals.

Understanding the Arts

This term we will be focussing on improving and widening our creativity skills across the curriculum in a variety of ways from sketching to using our voice to perform.

We will continue to develop of music knowledge through our weekly singing assembly and exploration of our Artist of the Week.



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Computing

Computing: This term we will be getting creative as we learn about how to create vector drawings. We will continue to think about how to stay safe online using good judgement and how to conduct research online.

Understanding English, Communication & Language

Each day children will be engaging in a literacy skills session. This will be a carousel of activities including grammar, free writing, reading and guided groups with adults.

We will be writing a persuasive text about the use of palm oil and an information text related to climate change.

We will be reading The Explorer by Jaqueline Wilson and Varmints by Helen Ward and Marc Craste.

Mathematical Understanding

This term we will be focusing on multiplication, division, fractions and decimals. We will also be looking at area, perimeter and interpreting tables linked to our topic of rainforests and deforestation.

It is essential that all children continue to use Times Table Rockstars at home to support their maths learning at school.

Understanding Physical Health

Our PE sessions will be on Tuesday and Thursday. Children should come to school on these days wearing their P.E kit. This term the children will be applying different skills in **Gymnastics** and **Basketball**.