



Term taught: Autumn Spring **Summer**

Core basic skills

Writing: The children will learn to write:

- Stories with issues
- Formal letters
- Persuasion
- Explanation

Reading: the children will learn these reading skills:

Comprehension, inference, questioning.
Books: The Great Kapok Tree

Maths: the children will learn these mathematical skills:
Shape, Time, Number consolidation

Computing: the children will learn the following skills:

Log on
Word processing skills
Researching using the internet – fact finding
Using Chrome Music Lab to create rainforest-inspired music
Using Purple Mash

Topic Title:

Rainforest Rhythms

Hook for Learning:

Launch- Effects of deforestation (car park problem)
Land- persuasive letters

Healthy Lifestyles:

PSHE – Looking after our planet (carbon cycle etc.)
PE- athletics

Global Dimension:

Geog – Use maps, atlases, digital mapping to locate rainforests, carbon cycle, layers of the rainforest (including animals)

Environmental Challenge:

Outdoor learning- forest school
Understand the impact of palm oil.

Technical Work:

Design and make a model rainforest (link to homework)

Creative Learning:

Multi-media artwork inspired by Henri Rousseau

Main subject: the children will research...

Deforestation of the rainforests:

- the importance of the rainforests
- palm oil
- greenhouse gases
- our impact on the world

Cross Curricular Writing: Application of skills, 1 piece per fortnight

Descriptive writing of the rainforest

Persuasive writing – palm oil / deforestation

Non- chronological report – fact file on animals of the rainforest

Cross Curricular Reading: Application of skills

Non-fiction texts about rainforests

Cross Curricular Maths – Problem solving

3D shapes- model rainforest
coordinates

Homework: Reading books. Spellings, times tables

See Queensmead Quest in homework book for further activities