

English

Texts: The Explorer - Katherine Rundell; Saving Sorya - Chang and the Sun Bear - Trang Nguyen

Writing

Non-chronological report on a rainforest animal
Descriptive writing - setting & using the 5 senses
Poetry with figurative language
Persuasive writing about deforestation / palm oil

SPaG

Modal verbs: identify and use
Apostrophes for contraction and possession
Conjunctions recap and using more sophisticated ones
Noun phrases: identify and use with ambitious adjectives

Comprehension

Retrieval skills
Author's choice and technical vocabulary

PSHE

Being Me. Identify factors which contribute to identity. Express talents and strengths. How respect and value differences. How own behaviour can affect others. Benefits of communities. What diversity means.

Geography

- Human and physical properties of tropical rainforests
- Location of the main rainforests around the world and why they are where they are.
- Know the qualities of a tropical rainforest
- Outline the structure of a tropical rainforest
- Explore the threats rainforests face, their ecological importance and the impact of deforestation
- Explore methods of saving tropical rainforests
- Name and locate the equator and both tropic lines
- Know, name and locate countries in South America
- People who live in rainforests and their lives

Maths

Y5

- Roman numbers and place value to 1,000,000
- Powers of ten and comparing numbers to 1,000,000
- Adding and subtracting numbers to 4 digits
- Factors, common factors. Prime, square, cube numbers

Y6

- Place value to 10,000,000. Rounding any integer.
- Rules of divisibility. Common multiplies and factors.
- Division using factors and long division.
- Solving problems using 4 functions and large numbers



Squirrels Autumn 1 Tropical Rainforest

Computing

Communication and collaboration

Exploring how data is transferred by working collaboratively online.

Spirituality: Forest school listening and looking. Active learning to develop reflection.

Art

Understand the 7 elements of art and use them to create 4 views of an animal, thinking about detail and composition.

Curriculum Enrichment

Butterfly house. Forest school
Fairtrade Fortnight. Animal handling visit

Speaking and listening

School council applications

Spanish

Adjective agreements. Understanding plurals. Words for food items.

Music Following a weekly recall, listen, review, play and sing - Squirrels will be exploring the elements of music through Soul, R&B and orchestral music whilst also learning the glockenspiel!

Science

Biology - Evolution & Inheritance

- How animals and plants have adapted to environment
- Natural selection and Charles Darwin
- Importance of evolution to survival
- What offspring inherit from their parents
- What characteristics are not inherited
- How fossils can help us understand evolution

RE

Why do some people believe God exists? What does it mean if God is holy and loving?

PE

HRF / cross country
Invasion games (tag rugby)

Online safety

How information online can be used to make judgments.