



YEAR 5 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW – AUTUMN TERM – SECOND HALF

Welcome to autumn half term two! We hope you enjoyed a lovely half term break despite the mixed weather. It's a long half term, but what a fun one in the run up to Christmas! Our topic this half term follows on nicely from South America – Rainforests. More details below. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Mrs Kirkman and Mrs Stansfield

English Overview

Writing- We will be focusing a lot on sentence construction and handwriting, presentation expectations. We are writing to discuss – a balanced argument – reasons for and against deforestation. We will also be spending more time on proofreading our writing, editing and improving in more detail.

Reading- We will read a number of non-fiction books relating to rainforests and deforestation. We will also be looking at explaining the effect on the reader of the author's choice of language and justifying opinions, referring to the text (Point, Evidence, and Explain).

Grammar- Brackets, dashes, commas for parenthesis; commas to avoid ambiguity (e.g. 'Let's eat, Grandma' as opposed to 'Let's eat Grandma'); devices to build cohesion) firstly, furthermore, consequently) and relative clauses – when and that.

Spellings – Sent home on Thursdays and tested the following Thursday. Please check your child's spelling folder and return it to school on Thursdays.

Reading Books and Accelerated Reader

Please make sure your child brings their reading book and journal to school every day. They read independently for at least 15 minutes, every day.

A reminder that you can find out if books at home are on Accelerated Reader using this website - <https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/default.aspx>

Maths Overview

- Multiplication and division: multiples; factors; squared numbers; multiplying by one digit using a partitioning strategy and dividing by one digit; interpreting remainders
- Fractions: equivalent fractions; comparing and ordering fractions
- Multiplication and area: Grid method for multiplication; word problems; how multiplication relates to calculating area.



Other Subjects:

Religious Education – How do our celebrations of Christmas reflect the true meaning of Christmas?

Science – Living things – animal life cycles including humans. Our scientist - Jane Goodall

Computing – Word processing

Design and Technology – Seasonality and harvest (carried over from last half term)

Art – Printing

Music – Singing and performing Christmas carols and songs

Geography – Biomes – Focus on rainforests

Physical Education – Aerobics/Fitness and Curling

PSHE – Rights and respect

French – Jungle animals

PE- Please make sure children wear PE kit on **Mondays and Wednesdays**. A reminder that no earrings should be worn on PE days. If they have to be worn, please provide your own plasters.

Homework – Please make sure your child brings in their homework book this week. New tasks will be set on Friday and are due in the following Thursday.

Tuck Shop – Please make sure tuck shop money is brought into school in a small named purse. A lot of children are losing money, or fiddling with lose money in lessons.

Dates:

Thurs 9th Nov – Parent/Teacher consultations

Fri 10th Nov – Remembrance Themed Day

Wed 22nd Nov – Friends PTA Bags2school collection

Fri 1st Dec – Panto visit and Friends PTA Christmas Fair

Week Beg 4th Dec – Assessment week

Thurs 7th Dec – Christmas Jumper Day

Tues 19th Dec – KS2 Carols by Candlelight 6pm at St. Helen's Church

Wed 20th Dec – Christmas Lunch and Rainbow Christmas Parties

Fri 22nd Dec – School closes for Christmas

Our Class Rainbow Value is:

Achievement