Year 5 Spring 2 2025

English

This half term we shall focus our writing around the popular story of , 'The Great Kapok Tree'. We will be writing a description of the rainforest and including a perspective from the animals. This links well with our Geography learning too!

The Non-fiction unit will explore a balanced argument on deforestation. This will include opportuni-

THE GREAT

KAPOK TREE

In maths, the classes will predominately exploring decimals and percentages. Children will learn how to understand, compare and convert decimals as well as relate them to percentages. They will be working on skills such as ordering decimals, finding equivalent percentages and solving real-life problems.

Maths

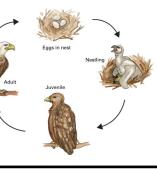
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Forest School During Spring 2, every child will participate in Forest School, where they'll learn about staying safe outdoors, fire safety and risk-taking through fun, hands-on activities. Forest School will help with the children's confidence, independence and connection to nature. On their scheduled day, please ensure your child has wellies or sturdy outdoor shoes.

Geography We will be learning about the Earth's six major biomes. In addition, we will also explore the biomes and their specific climates and how these climates are impacted by their proximity to the equator, and the amount of rainfall they receive.





Science This term, Year 5 will be investigating life cycles and how they differ across various living things. Have you ever wondered how the life cycle of a plant compares to that of a mammal or a bird? The children will study the life cycles of plants, mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles and insects, discovering the unique stages each goes through. Through a variety of activities, such as observing plants and exploring animal transformations, the children will gain a deeper understanding of the natural world.

PSHCE We will be learning all about looking after ourselves as well as the community. We will also develop strategies to respond to feelings including intense and conflicting emotions.

Guided Reading This half term we will continue to explore a range of genres to develop our reading skills. As well as clarifying, interpreting and predicting, we will also focus on vocabulary and the retrieval of information. It is so important that your child reads regularly every week, not only does this develop their confidence but also their skills. We have a wide range of texts on offer, at school, that your child can choose from!

Computing

This half-term we will explore the concept of databases in computing. We will compare paper—based databases with the digital ones. Learners will use tools within a database to order and answer questions about data. They will create graphs and charts from their data to help solve problems. They will also use a real-life database to answer a question, and present their work to others.