

OUR VALUES



We will be using teamwork during our Topic when we are completing group work.



Our pupils demonstrate independence while completing their homework, independent writing, and self-directed tasks.



In Year 5, our children are excited to take on a challenge in every lesson, especially Topic!



We show resilience when we are learning new skills.



Our students get the chance to show off their creativity through our creative curriculum, making links, through Topic, to English, Maths and Reading.

Homework:

Our Topic homework is sent home in homework books, every two weeks. As well as their spelling homework, children will also receive weekly online homework: My Maths, TTRS and Reading Buddies (This reading can count towards their daily reading record). If any help is needed, Homework Club is run by the teachers every Wednesday lunchtime. We also have times throughout the day where children can access school Ipads. Where no homework is received, then the children must attend Friday Homework Catch Up Club during Friday lunch.

Deforestation



Spring Topic

Year 5

Parent Leaflet

Shared Reading:

This term Year 5 are set to read some fascinating texts. We will be exploring a range of genres, which are all related to the rainforest, as well learning through drama and informed debate. Whilst diving into these texts, children will be developing their retrieval and inference skills. Throughout the spring term, through a range of reading in class, children should feel more empowered to discuss issues connected to the rainforest and the difference they can make in light of deforestation.

English:

In the new term, we will begin by looking at the book 'The Lorax', which has an environmental message at its heart. We will be focussing on developing the skills of using and correctly punctuating direct speech, as well as using the context of 'The Lorax' to write persuasively. We will be using the theme deforestation from 'The Lorax' as a jumping off point to write a persuasive letter to campaign against the senseless destruction of orang-utan's habitats.

Deforestation Topic

Spring

Geography:

We will be identifying global climatic zones and locating geographical regions that contain rainforests; researching their characteristics, understanding how some of these aspects change over time, and how this impacts the planet for future generations. We will focus in on the endangered species - the orang-utan - whilst we learn about the main causes of deforestation. We will look at both sides of the argument, and use class debates to develop the children's understanding and viewpoints regarding the Earth's biodiversity, sustainability and the protection of such wondrous species. The children will present their information in a range of formats including: presentations, information texts, fact files and news bulletins.

Hooks & trips:

- The children will decide and conduct their own fund-raising programmes in order for Northern Parade to adopt an orang-utan.
- We will be visiting Monkey World, where the children will get up close to many amazing primates - including those at the orang-utan nursery!

Art/DT:

As part of our Art and DT, the children will get creative by decorating year 5 in a rainforest theme. In Art, we will look at famous landscape artists, such as, Turner and Monet and use Hundertwasser & Karla Gerard as inspiration for surreal landscapes, using a range of media. In DT, the children will be exploring Pulleys, Levers and Gears.

PHSE:

Year 5's focus for PHSE in Spring Term is 'Living in the Wider World'. We will be looking at: National Identity, Making a Difference (British Values) and Money Matters.

Science:

Year 5 will be taking part in a 'science week', where we will be looking at what it takes to be an engineer, with a focus on engineering materials for a greener planet. Children will also be learning about the Big Bang, seasons, stars and constellations and Steven Hawking.