

# Year 5

## Autumn Term 2021

### Topic - Rainforests

We will learn about the location of the world's rainforests. We will learn about the layers of a rainforest and all of the animals which live in this habitat. We will also look at what food types grow in rainforests. We will look at what is meant by climate and what biomes are.



- We ask that children regularly practise and learn their **times tables**. It has been proven to make a massive difference to the speed and accuracy of their calculation skills.
- It is still important for children in Year 5 to be heard read. This way, the meaning of unfamiliar words can be discussed and vocabulary extended. Questions posed, arising from the text, is also an excellent way to develop children's understanding of what they have read. 3 times a week is ideal.
- **PE will be on a Monday** this term.
- Please regularly check the [website](#) and [twitter](#) for up-to-date letters and information.

### Maths

Our maths focus for this term will be:  
**Number and place value**

- read, write, order and compare numbers to at least 1,000,000 and determine the value of each digit
- add and subtract whole numbers with more than 4 digits, including using formal written methods (columnar addition and subtraction)
- add and subtract numbers mentally with increasingly large numbers
- use rounding to check answers to calculations and determine, in the context of a problem, levels of accuracy
- solve addition and subtraction multi-step problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why

### Literacy

We will be looking at The Great Kapok Tree. This term our **writing** focus will be to:

- Identify the audience and purpose of their writing.
- Select the appropriate form and use other similar writing as models for their own.
- Ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throughout their piece of writing.
- Select appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning.
- Use adverbs, preposition phrases and expanded noun phrases effectively to add detail, qualification and precision.

This terms **spellings** focus will be:

- Continuing to learn common exception words
- Building words from root words
- Words with the /i/ sound spelt 'ei'
- Words with ei and ie
- Homophones

This terms **reading** focus will be:

- Apply their knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes, (morphology and etymology) both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet.
- To read and discuss a wide range of fiction, non-fiction, poetry, plays and reference books.
- Make comparisons within and across books.