

## Year 4 Autumn 2

### Why is the rainforest important to me?



This term we are learning about the Rainforest. We will use map skills to locate Rainforests in the world, particularly those in South America. Pupils will learn about the benefits of the Rainforest and how the Rainforest is essential to the Earth's climate. We will learn about the impact of deforestation and how animals are becoming extinct after losing their habitats. In Science, we will learn that living things all need energy to stay alive. We will also learn how energy is passed along food chains from producers to consumers. The children will also learn what digestion means and be able to name the major parts of the human digestive system. In R.E, we will be learning about Diwali and other Christmas festivals.

#### English:

In English, we will be studying the key texts of 'The Rainforest Grew All Around', 'The Vanishing Rainforest' and 'Winter's Child'. We will be writing poetry, holding a debate, writing a persuasive letter and a story. The children will also be using their inference skills and prediction skills, exploring author choice and have a heavy focus on new and extended vocabulary.

#### Maths:

This term, Year 4 will be consolidating their multiplication and division skills using visual representation to solve problems. Please keep practising those times tables and number bonds at home! Towards the end of the term, we will be focusing on fractions and begin to work on adding fractions and using equivalent fractions.

#### Ways to help at home:

- Listen to your child read each day. Every child takes home a reading book.
- Remember to look on Teams for the week's times table focus and spellings. The test occurs every Thursday!
- Discuss with your children what facts they have learnt during their Science and Geography lessons.

#### Other information:

- PE will take place on a Monday with Mr. Stevens.
- Homework is on Teams. Please hand in on or before Thursday each week.