

Year 4 Parent Planner - Spring 2025 - Rainforests



AREAS OF LEARNING

As **Readers** we will explore a range of text types, developing a deeper understanding and learning skills needed to deduce information using clues within the text. We will also make justified predictions and develop our questioning skills. Our class text for Term 4 is 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell.

As **Writers** we will identify key features of text types and apply them within our own writing. The key text types that we will focus on include viewpoint narratives as explorers walking through a rainforest and Black Out Poetry using pages from our core text.

As **Mathematicians** we will continue our focus on understanding and manipulating multiplicative relationships and then begin looking at coordinates.

We will continue our mastering numbers sessions as part of our daily times tables recall practice leading up to the MTC.

As **Scientists** we will continue to develop out science skills through investigations. We will focus on animals, including humans; delving into our dental makeup, digestive processes and food chains.

As **Historians** we will be learning about the history of some of the human and physical features of the rainforest, thinking about the past and future of the rainforest with deforestation.

As **Geographers** we will develop our knowledge of where the Amazon Rainforest is and the physical and human features that make it unique. We will be visiting the Living Rainforest as part of our learning to experience the rainforest in person!

As **Design Technologists**, we will be refining our evaluation skills by making a pillow case with a zip, building on our sewing skills from Year 3 and looking at different sewing patterns.

As **Musicians** we will learn how to play the recorder. We will also learn how to follow a beat, read musical symbols and compose our own body percussion pieces.

As **Sportspeople** we will develop our knowledge and skills in Tennis. We will also take part in the annual swimming gala.

As **Computer Scientists** we will be focussing on Data logging, using data we collect to log and analyse.

The key question we will investigate in RE is: 'Is the cross a symbol of love, sacrifice or commitment for Christians?' as we focus on Christianity.