

Jaguar Class – This half-term our topic is **Rainforests**

R.E. – In R.E we will be looking into the question ‘Creation and science: conflicting or complimentary?’ We will compare the Genesis creation story with that of science and discuss how both can be interpreted.

Music – In music, we will be linking our learning to our rainforest topic. We will learn how to recreate sounds of the rainforest using our bodies, objects from around the room, real instruments and homemade instruments. We will practice playing in a variety of ways and come up with a final performance piece.

English – This half-term we will be looking at the book *Journey to the River Sea* by Eva Ibbotson. We will use the story, set within the Amazon rainforest, to inspire a variety of different types of writing alongside drama, role-play and many other techniques.

Art – We will be linking our art this half-term to our topic of rainforests. We will look at the work of Henri Rousseau and use this to inspire an art piece. We will learn about the importance of light and shade and use this to help us create a 3D final piece.

Maths – We will begin the half-term by continuing on our learning surrounding statistics at the end of last half-term. We will learn how to read and interpret tables of different kinds before moving on to understanding and creating our own pie charts. We will also learn how to use data to find the mean as an average. We will then move on to some geometry including the reflection and translation of shapes before ending the half-term with beginning to look into algebra.

Geography – We will be exploring knowledge all about the rainforest this half-term. We will learn about the different layers of the rainforest, the creatures and plants that you find there and life in the rainforest for those who live in it or nearby. We will also discuss how to save the rainforest, linking this to our learning last half-term about deforestation.

P.E – P.E. is on a Friday this half-term but please make sure that children have their trainers in school all week. Some children in Jaguars will also need to remember their swimming kits on a Thursday.

Science – In science we will be learning about classification. We will understand how scientists choose to classify living things including all plants and animals before having a go at creating our own classification systems and practising how to use them.

PSHE/Computing – In PSHE and computing we will be thinking about online safety including what information should and shouldn't be shared, how to look out for people pretending to be someone else online and how to deal with unkind behaviour during online gaming.

