



English

In our English lessons we continue to develop reading, writing, and speaking and listening skills. We will use the story "The Fox and the Healer" to inspire not only English lessons but some of the learning in other areas of the curriculum. The children will learn about the conventions of writing a traditional story set in North America and have the opportunity to improve their story based upon a model. They will then learn the conventions of writing an explanation text.

This term we will also be exploring writing poetry and play scripts.

How to help at home:

Hearing your child read daily. Ask them questions about what they have read.

Support them to learn their spellings each week and write exciting, descriptive sentences.

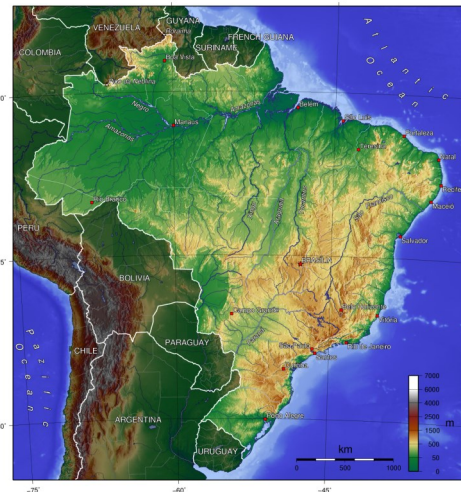
Encourage them to retell some of their favourite stories.

Recite poetry!

This Half Term

The children explore the broad theme of 'Rainforests'.

They will explore rainforests in Brazil, find out about what it is like to live there and learn musical styles.



Science : Forces and Magnets

The pupils will be comparing how things move on different surfaces and record findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables.

They will also observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others.

The pupils will be comparing and grouping together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic material.

Topic

In our Topic this term, the children will explore aspects of Brazil, including the Amazon Rainforest. They will have the opportunity to explore the Amazon, understand the four main layers of a rainforest, find out about the plants and the creatures that grow in the different layers and how they are adapted to live there. They then find out about the people who share this environment and compare this to city life in Brazil. They will be learning about the music of Samba, design and make traditional musical instruments.

RE

The children continue to learn about weddings in different faiths.

The major festivals, holy books and symbols.

They will also explore spiritual arts.



Maths

- *Arithmetic skills: Practicing using the four operations accurately to up to 3 digit numbers.*
- Fractions
- Shape and measure
- Interpreting data
- Revision: the four operations

How you can help at home:

Ensure your child knows their times table facts and related division facts up to 12x12

Some useful Websites:

- www.mymaths.co.uk
- www.nrich.maths.org
- www.nnparenttoolkit.org.uk

Why are the Rainforests important?

French

This half term the children will continue to learn conversational French, including body parts, animals and colours. We will also design our own rainforest creatures.

Homework

Your child has a homework booklet with activities to complete each week in Spelling.

Children will be also given weekly printed homework. on Fridays.

Your child has a MY MATHS login to complete online maths homework.

Children should read every day and learn their time tables through Time Tables Rockstars.

