

English

We will develop our story writing, write our own rainforest stories, myths and also write and perform poems and playscripts. We will write a non-chronological report on the Mayans and write a persuasion text on deforestation.

RE

We will look at the Trinity and what is important to Christians, whilst also learning about Hindu beliefs.

Computing

We will become software developers and meteorologists

Spanish

We will develop our understanding of the Spanish vocabulary, learning greetings and phrases

PE

We will create our own dance related to our theme and also develop our skills and enhance our gymnastic ability.

Year 4

Amethyst, Diamond and Topaz
The Maya and the Rainforest

Maths

We will develop our understanding of place value including 4 digit numbers. We will develop our addition and subtraction skills along with multiplication and division. We will also learn more on length and perimeter and secure of times table knowledge.

Geography and History

We will investigate the location and size of different rainforests, locating the tropics and the hemispheres. We are also going to look closely at the UK and identify; mountain ranges, rivers and the main countries and cities. We will also identify main European cities

We will investigate the Mayans, find the location and identify and compare their civilisation. We will also make Maya calendar and will identify artefacts and changes over times.

Science

We will be classifying living things and looking at their habitats and food chains. We will also investigate sounds and vibrations.

Key Vocabulary

Rainforest, Mayans, climate, canopy, foliage, weather, tropics hemispheres, mountains, rivers, countries, civilisation, deforestation, sustainable, eco-system, artefacts, characteristics, sketching, texture, habitats, predator, food chains, extinct, endangered, sound, vibrations, pitch, volume.

Art and D & T

We will develop our sketching skills as we sketch tropical fruit - which we will also taste! We will research and sketch rainforests. We will also create 3D cams toys

PSHE

We will be exploring 'being me' and 'celebrating differences' through discussions and role play.

Music

We will be learning Mamma Mia and develop our skills of playing the Glockenspiel - paying attention to the tone, pace and tempo.