

Welcome to Phoenix Class

This term the children will continue to learn about the Rainforest. We will be focusing on...

Humanities

This term our topic is Rainforests. We will be exploring the globe, what are the tropic zones and which countries have a rainforest. The children will be using a range of resources to explore each country and create a fact file based on the information they have found. Our focus will be exploring fair trade products and how this benefits farmers. We will also be going on a school trip to Port Lympne, which will include a safari ride.

Science

In Science we are completing our Evolution topic by looking at how animals and plants are adapted to their environments. We will then start our new topic, 'Living Things and their Habitats'. We will look at animal and plant classification and spend time outside analysing and categorising the plants and trees around us. Us using classification charts and towards the end of the topic we will look at microorganisms.

English

This term we will be focusing on non-fiction writing, in particular writing an autobiography as Malala Yousafzai. Our key text will be 'Malala's Magic Pencil' written by Malala herself and we will also look at some poetry from the anthology 'Reaching the Stars: Poems about Extraordinary Women and Girls.' In their writing we will expect to see vocabulary and structures suited to more formal writing, a wide range of devices used to build cohesion and continued use of what has been taught so far, including parenthesis and relative clauses. We will continue with our daily reading sessions which include fluency and comprehension practice.

Learning Journey: The Rainforest



Maths

At the start of this term, we will continue to be working our way through the curriculum so that we can focus on revision in Term 5. This means that we will be squeezing in some extra Maths sessions. In morning sessions we will focus on algebra, measure (area, perimeter and volume) and ratio and proportion. In our extra sessions, we will cover angles and properties of shape and statistics. The arithmetic challenge will continue to be completed weekly as will the times tables test.

P.E.

PE will be taught on Monday and Thursday, when children should come to school in their PE kits. The main focus for this term will be **Functional Fitness and Hockey**. In addition to this, we will be completing the Daily Mile and have other active brain breaks throughout the day.

PSH

This term we will be learning all about the weather. This will include learning how to say, read and write different phrases related to this.

Computing

This term will begin with a reminder about e-safety. We will then begin by looking at staying safe whilst playing games online. We will then be learning about blogs and how to create one.

**Be Ready
Be Respectful
Be Responsible**

P.S.H.E.e.

Being Healthy - This is the fourth piece of the Jigsaw PSHE scheme which will be taught within the final week of this term. We discuss eating healthily, good and bad drugs, before looking at the importance of looking after our mental or emotional health, including how we can manage stress.

DT

In DT this term we will be focusing on Frames and Structures - including Gears, Pulleys and CAMS in DT. The children will be exploring a range of frames and structures in models along with looking at gears and pulleys in vehicles. The children will be creating their own final piece which will help source food in the rainforest.

Please make sure that the children eat well, sleep well and don't get too worried (especially our Year 6s!)