



Learning Preview Year 1

Spring Term 1 2017

Rainforest Rangers!



How our learning will link to Year 1 children's lives, interests, and experiences

This half term, our theme is rainforests! We will be exploring the lifestyles of people who live in the rainforests, and learning about rainforest animals and plants. We will be comparing the homes, transport, weather and buildings in the rainforest with our own.

We are starting the term with a learning heroes and maths week, where we will be thinking about how our brains work and how we can be more like our learning heroes, including taking part in exciting maths challenges!

Learning in the Core Subjects

- In English, we are going to look at the structure of a fiction text. We will be writing our own stories with a clear beginning, middle and end. To support us with this, we will be delving into a book linked to our theme. Can you find a book with a rainforest link?
- Our maths learning will include looking at place value, multiplication and division. We will be using a range of resources to support and record our learning. What is the value of the 3 in 32?
- We will be exploring the different animals that live in the rainforests by identifying and classifying them. The children will also be investigating the differences between carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

Phonics

We are looking at more alternative pronunciations and spellings.

- peach/head
- cloud/soup/mould
- apple/acorn
- fear/here
- rain/came
- hair/there

Vocabulary



Carnivore - an animal that feeds on other animals.

Omnivore - an animal that eats a variety of both plants and animals.

Herbivore - an animal that feeds on plants only.

Multiplication - repeated addition.

Division - the result of "fair sharing".

Key ideas...



- What animals can you think of that live in the rainforest?
- Do you think children who live in the rainforest go to school like we do?
- What is your favourite story and what makes it great?

If you would like more information about supporting your child at home, make sure you look at the ['Learning Together'](#) section on our website by following the hyperlink.