

# Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter



Our topic this term is...

**Amazon Adventure!**

## Topic

In this unit of work, we will be finding out about the Amazon region of South America. We will be thinking about what it is like to live in this region, as well as discovering how it is being damaged and how it can be protected. The children will then use their knowledge of the Amazon, to create four view animal art work.

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## Maths

We have started our week back in school by looking at imperial and metric measures, we have been converting units of measurements, as well as using our knowledge to solve problems. We will be moving onto finding the area and perimeter of regular 2d shapes, before moving onto solving more complex problems. Our final topic is ratio and proportion.

## English

We have started our week back this week focussing on poetry. The children will be using figurative language, precise and emotive vocabulary to write their own poem based on the Amazon river using our all of their senses.

We will then be moving onto writing a discussion text to share their views about whether they think rainforests should be protected or not.

For our final piece of writing, the children will be creating travel brochures. They will be creating posters to persuade someone to visit the Amazon Rainforest.

## PE

We have two sessions of PE. On Wednesday our focus will be hockey. On Friday we will be doing cricket. School PE kits will continue to be worn on our PE days. Please make sure your child is in a school PE kit.

## Science

We will be revisiting classifying living things and creating keys, before developing our knowledge of fungi and bacteria. We will also look at the work of Carl Linnaeus, the scientist who first 'identified' organisms.



## Computing

We will be focussing on blogging this half term, using Purple mash. This can be accessed at home for children to practise and consolidate skills.

## Homework

Our Homework Menu for this term, has been uploaded to Google Classroom. There are a range of suggested tasks that will enhance our topic. Children can choose to complete selected tasks from the list of suggestions. Tasks will be assigned 1, 3 or 5 points. There is no expectation that all tasks be completed but children should aim for a minimum of 20 points. Some children do more than 20 points and this is fantastic.

Children should also learn their spellings each week—the best way to do this is to write the word and look at it carefully then cover the word and write it. Children should do this 3 or 4 times for each word—learning perhaps 3 or 4 words a night.

Reading at home for about 20 minutes a night is very important for Y6 children to build their reading stamina.

Thank you for your support with homework.