



YEAR 2/3 WHITEBEAM CLASS AUTUMN 2 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

This half term our curriculum theme is:

What makes the tropics and the rainforests special?



ENGLISH - WRITING

In writing lessons the children will be planning a quest story followed by writing an explanation text. This will be a guide to being an explorer.



ENGLISH - READING

During this half term, the children will continue to read a variety of texts and analyse them using the VIPERS skills of vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summarising. This will include different fiction and non-fiction texts. The children will also listen to a range of class novels.



MATHEMATICS

Working within their year group level, the children will continue to focus on number calculations involving + and - and will then move onto multiplication and division then shape.



GEOGRAPHY

This half term we will be learning about what makes the tropics and rainforests special. The children will identify the position and significance of the equator and the tropics. They will use world maps, atlases and globes and they will explore the problems associated with deforestation.



SCIENCE

This half term we will be learning about animals including humans. We will learn about the basic needs of animals (including humans) for survival. They will learn about the importance of exercise and hygiene along with the importance of eating the right amounts of different foods.

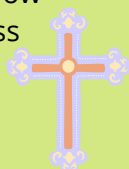
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This half term the focus is on structures and the children will be designing and making a 3D castle. They will explore how to make nets and how to make their models stronger and more stable.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our enquiry question this half term is 'What is the Trinity?' The children will have an awareness of the Biblical origins the Christian teachings of the Trinity; explore how Christians might express their belief about the Trinity and how it may influence their lives.



COMPUTING

The children will be learning about stop frame animation.



FRENCH

The children will be learning about the names of animals in French.

PSHE

The focus is Celebrating Difference and will explore stereotypes and diversity.



Music

The children will continue to appraise different genres of music and will develop their skills in performance and composition as they play the recorder.

