



Class 2JP-Summer 1

Our topic this half term is "How is living in a rainforest different to living in Hull?"

Welcome back after the Easter holiday. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about the topics your children will be studying during this half term.

Homework

Homework will continue to be sent out each Friday; to be returned by the following Friday.

Literacy

Our main areas of study will be:

- Stories by the same author
- Non-Chronological reports about the Rainforest
- Diaries
- Letters

During literacy your child will be focusing on grammar, punctuation and guided reading.

We will all be reading 'The Dolphin Boy' during guided reading. Please ask your child to tell you about the story.

Numeracy

Our main areas of study will be:

- Calculating
- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
- Measuring
- Solving Problems in each of the above areas

Your child will also be continuing to learn relevant number facts. Please see on the reverse of the newsletter. I would appreciate your continued support with this at home.

Spellings

Spellings will continue to be given out each Tuesday. A spelling test will take place the following Monday. Your continued support in preparing for the test is gratefully appreciated.

Reading

During the Spring term, Class 2JP met the 'Must, Could and Challenge' on a number of occasions. Moving forward, I am challenging the class to continue in this positive direction. Please continue to read a few pages of your child's home reading book every night and sign the reading record after your child has read. You can also support your child's learning by asking a few questions about the book..

Science: In Science we will be continuing our 'electricity' topic. The children will learn about simple series circuits involving batteries, wires, bulbs and other components and they will have the opportunity to investigate how a switch can be used to break a circuit [for example, buzzers, motors].

Our next topic will be 'plants'. The children will observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. The children will find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. The children will investigate the question—"Do all seeds germinate in the same way?"

RE

In RE the topic will be 'What is special about a church?' The children will look at symbols and artefacts which express a meaning of faith. The children will identify and name some religious artefacts and say how they are used.

Music: In Music the children will be exploring a range of Reggae songs. The children will continue to develop their musical vocabulary, playing singing games to enhance their understanding of the different dimensions of music.

PE

PE lessons will be on Thursday and Friday. Please make sure your child has full PE kit in school on these days. Please remember earrings should not be worn on PE days.

Art/DT

Our Art and DT will be linked to the rainforest. The children will work together to create a rainforest collage. The children will also plan and make a Yano house.

ICT: During ICT we will also be using the internet to research information about the different rainforests.

The children will continue to develop their programming and debugging skills in a number of different scenarios.

History/Geography

In Geography, we will use world maps and atlases to identify where all the different rainforests are in the world. We will compare and contrast living in the rainforest to living in Hull in terms of the weather, language, home life, animals and culture etc.

And finally...

Please feel free to come into school, before and after school, to discuss any concerns with myself, Mrs Smithson or Miss Thorneycroft.

