English

Contexts for writing will include the TV Series Deadly Top 10 as we embark upon a review of the TV show for the BBC and the creation of a page for our own Deadly Top 10 annual. We will use the beautiful books, The Great Kapok Tree and We're Going on a Bear Hunt to develop our descriptive writing and storytelling skills, along with a barefoot nature walk in the Reception garden. During this term, the children will learn about the term 'Fairtrade' and the goods that can be bought. The children will then bake banana bread and write instructions using imperative

PHSE

This term our unit of PSHE is:

How can we be healthy?

We will be learning about things that keep our bodies and minds healthy (activity, rest, food); hygiene routines and healthy choices both mentally and nutritionally.

Science

We will be studying living things and their habitats. We will identify and classify a range of animals that live in rainforests, revisiting the different types of animal- reptile, mammal, bird, amphibian and fish. The children will be learning about how animals depend upon a habitat; specifically, Orangutans in the Rainforest. We will be focusing on how deforestation is impacting the lives of these creatures.

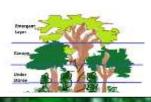
Computing

This term our unit of learning is Data Collection and Publishing. The children will be using their geography knowledge to collect data on where we have family links to around the world. The children will then input their collected data to create and evaluate graphs.

Year Group: Year 2

Topic name: Rainforests

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Maths

We will be developing the understanding in the following areas:

- 5 and 10 times tables
- Fractions
- Time
- Geometry Position and Direction

PE

This term the children will have 2 units of PE: Gymnastics and Striking & Fielding

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Geography

verbs and adverbs.

In geography the children will be using a map, atlas and globe to find hot and cold countries around the world and discuss their position in relation to the equator. We will learn about the different layers of the rainforest, who lives there and the impact of deforestation.

Music

Our Music topic this half term is Inventing a Musical Story. We will be thinking about how music can teach us about our neighbourhood. Our key areas of learning will be: tempo, time signatures, key signatures at looking at rhythmic patterns. We will also be learning some new songs.

Art

This term the children will be learning about the work of two artists an Amazonian artist called Nixiwaka and a British artist, John Dyer, who is based at the Eden Project. They will be introduced to their work and learn to describe the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines they have used, and make links to their own work inspired by them both.

Enrichment

- Thursday 7th March is World Book Day.
- Science week begins the 8th March. We will be exploring the theme of 'time' as well as looking after our school ducklings!
- We will have a music enrichment trip to the Barbican on Tuesday 19th
 March.
- Our trip to Port Lympne on Thursday 21st March will let us get up close and personal to some rainforest creatures!
- Our local area walk to compare the vegetation of One Tree Hill to the Amazon Rainforest begins week 25th March.