



## Key Stage 2 -Years 3 and 4 Summer term 2024

### **Into the rainforest.**

We will begin this term, with the arrival of a strange old chest containing "wondrous treasures" inspired by the beautiful modern fairy tale "The story of Fat Belly Rat Bone. The children will plant and care for these seeds, with the aim of creating a fantastic rainforest of flowers. Non-fiction work will include writing invites, persuasive writing, letters. We will examine how conservationists strive to protect the beautiful wild lands that are under threat from hunters and developers.

As Mathematicians, we will continue to develop our problem-solving skills using both mental and written methods of calculation. This term's learning will focus on decimals, including money, statistics involving interpreting data, using bar charts, line graphs and tables. In our practical lessons, we will explore capacity and position and direction including coordinates.

Our Science topics for the term are "Plants" and "Animals including humans". A trip to Wakehurst botanical gardens will provide an inspirational start to our learning. The class will take part in a rainforest workshop, a trail of the grounds plus an art work session. We will be identifying and describing the functions of different parts of flowering plants and examine their different techniques for seed dispersal. Learning will involve practical investigations- planning and carrying out fair tests, recording results and presenting findings in a variety of ways.

As Geographers we will be learning about South America and some of the countries within it. We will explore its key physical and human characteristics including the rainforests, and investigate the diversity of its landscapes and climate, this will lead to a comparison of these to what we have in the UK.

As artists we will look at the work of some famous Southern and Central American artists and the mediums that they choose.

Our RE learning this term concentrates on What do Christians mean when they talk about the kingdom of God? What symbols and stories help Jewish people remember their covenant with God?