



**Year 3 - Hedgehog Class
Term 5**



**Mrs Galloway,
Mrs Marston & Mrs Holley**

Our Learning for Term 5

During term 5, our big question will be 'Life in the Rainforest: Does deforestation matter?.' This will allow us to discover the layers of a rainforest, the importance of the rainforests and locate the most famous rainforests on a map. We will also be exploring the animals that live in the Amazon Rainforest, investigating which of them are endangered and why.

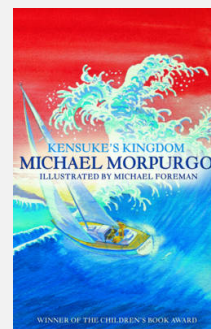
Our Book for our Guided Reading sessions this term:

Usborne Map of Britain & Ireland



Our reading for enjoyment end of day book for this term:

Kenzuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo

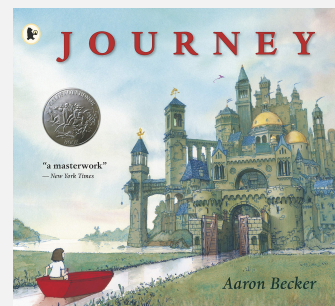


Term 5 Class text for writing:

Our class text this term will be:

Journey by Aaron Becker

to support us to understand fiction and write our own adventure story.



Termly Maths focus:

Fractions, Mass and Capacity and Money

Our learning journey through the subjects this term:

YEAR 3	Term 5	
School theme PSHE	Relationships	
Learning Question	Life in a rainforest: Does deforestation matter?	
Science	<u>Plants</u> How clever is a plant?	
Geography	<u>Rainforests</u> What creates a rainforest and why are they located where they are?	
Art	<u>Flowers</u> 3D: paper and card flowers Painting: colour wash and texture Artist: Henry Rousseau	
RE	Why do people pray?	
Music	Exploring Musical Theatre 'The Nut Cracker'- Ballet structure and pattern Just Three Notes- CDE Pitch and rhythm patterns	
PE	Throwing and catching	Cool Core
Computing	Programming: Sequencing music	
French	Les Legumes (Vegetables)	
Commando Joe	Ed Stafford	
Hook / Trips / Enrichment	Living Land Trip	

Other important information:

PE Days

PE will continue to be on a **Monday** and **Thursday** for Hedgehog class. As the weather warms up, please do ensure that your child is dressed appropriately so they don't overheat as they exercise. Also, please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school. It is easiest for children if they do not wear earrings on PE days.

Summer Sun

As the weather turns warmer hats / caps are advised for play times and PE lessons, if your child brings one please ensure it is named clearly. Bringing a water bottle to school is really important so your child can stay hydrated, again please name the bottle clearly as many children often have the same or similar ones. Last term we had a lot of unclaimed school uniform items that were unnamed. Please can you check that your child's name is still visible on all items of clothing, sometimes the ink wears off after multiple washes. We do try to send your child home with all of their belongings, it is much easier to do so when they are named. This applies to PE clothing too.

Home Learning/Ways to support at home

In our class the children are really developing as confident readers, which is wonderful. It is still important that your child continues to read regularly in and outside of school. The regular practice will help to refine your child's reading skills enabling them to read more complex texts easily, with greater understanding and enjoyment. Reading not only gives children an awareness of greater vocabulary and sentence structures but also gives opportunities to enjoy a fantasy world, develop a love of a favourite character and to quench a desire for finding out information.

TTRockstars is a great way for children to practise and develop their recall and fluency with multiplication. This is a key skill within maths and takes time and repeated practice to develop confidence and speed. In school the children very much enjoy using this site, if you need a reminder of the login details for your child please let me know. Year 2,3 & 4 compete each week on TTRockstars. We celebrate this effort every Friday, giving out a certificate to the winning class in our whole school assembly.

	Reminder
20th April	Start of Term 5
22nd April	Parents Consultations
24th April	Book Swap
29th April	Parents Consultations
6th May	Living Land Trip
22nd May	Sports Day (Parents invited for the afternoon) Last Day of term 3:15pm finish

Please keep an eye on the monthly newsletters sent out online, as dates are kept updated here and new events added all the time!

Copies of the newsletter and a more detailed Yearly Plan are available on our Website.