

English:

When the forest meets the Sea - Jeannie Baker

Our

class text When the Forest meets the Sea is about a young boy who visits a tropical rain forest, he pretends it is a long time ago and that extinct and rare animals live in the forest, But how much longer will the rainforest remain, he wonders?

Reading:

Stitch Head – The Ghost of Grotteskew

The ghost of a villainous ne'er-do-well is haunting the corridors of Castle Grotteskew, gunning for Stitch Head's heart ... and soul. Certain that his heart once belonged to the vicious rogue, Stitch Head's world is torn apart. Will he surrender to the evil ghost and agree to do his bidding...?

Poem: I saw my teacher on a Saturday by Dave Crawley

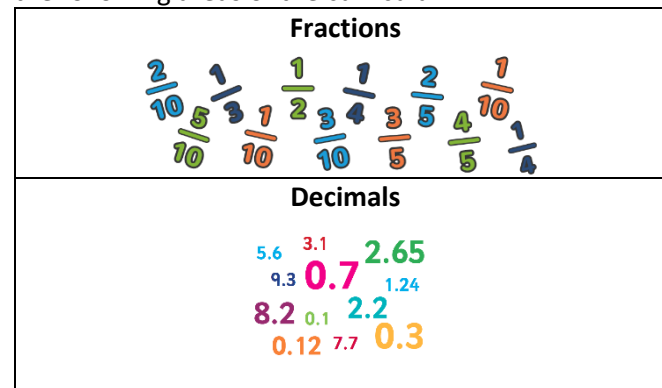
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uHZRw2DXlhY>

Writing:

- Build a varied and rich vocabulary
- Propose changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including the accurate use of pronouns in sentences
- Use paragraphs to organise information and ideas around a theme
- Indicate possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns and revise Y2 singular
- Recognise the grammatical difference between plural and possessive 's'

Mathematics:

Along with our arithmetic and calculation skills we will be looking at the following areas of the curriculum:



We will be looking to master a wide range of targets linked to these areas, such as:

- Equivalent fractions.
- Counting in fractions.
- Adding Fractions.
- Subtracting Fractions.
- Calculating quantity of fractions
- Recognising tenths and hundredths
- Tenths on a place value grid
- Tenths on a number line
- Dividing 1 and 2 digits by 10 and 100
- Hundredths as decimals
- Hundredths on a place value grid

Useful websites:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=362JVVvgYPE>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zsigtfr/articles/zsbd7p3>

Science:

Our scientific studies will focus on **Animals including humans** where we will investigate and describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans, identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions and we will construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.

To begin the topic the children will be asked to follow instructions to recreate the digestive system to see what happens in our body from going in our mouth to getting rid of waste.

We will also be carrying out an experiment over the half term to investigate how different liquids effect our teeth if we don't brush them.

Useful websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zn22pv4>

Physical Education:



This half term year 4 will be taking part in 2 different sports. They will be developing their throwing, catching, batting and bowling skills to enable them to play a game of cricket. and they are going to be continuing their weekly swimming sessions

Geography: - Rainforests

Children will learn where rainforests are located in the world. The effects that deforestation is having on the environment and the habitats of humans and animals. Children will use ICT to create a video in the style of a TV presenter.

Useful websites:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BO4UYhhU-8c>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx882hv/articles/zxdsvcw>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zfp34wx>

Art:

- Our next art unit is textiles and Year 4 will be learning about the work of Rosie James.



The children will be experimenting with different fabrics, they will try to create different moods and feelings and use a range of stitches to layer these pieces of fabric together.

Useful website: <https://www.textilecurator.com/home-default/home-2-2/rosie-james/>

DT: Food Technology

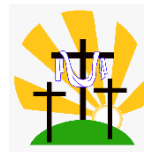
For Design and Technology this half term, Year 4 will be putting their culinary skills to the test by making chicken or vegetable fajitas.



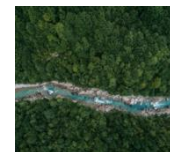
Religious Education:

Christianity

Surrounding the theme of Easter the children will consider questions about what they are prepared to sacrifice or never sacrifice? They will consider ways other people sacrifice things in their lives to help others and why this could be challenging. They will look at how Jesus sacrificed himself at Easter and reflect on the significance of Eucharist to Christians.



Music:



Body percussion and the Rainforest

This half term Year 4 will explore the rainforest through music and be introduced to new musical terms. They will also use a mixture of body percussion and tuned percussion instruments as the children create their own rhythms of the rainforest, layer by layer

Useful Website: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cr4mG2yq8wA>

Useful websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zqr87ty>

PSHE: Physical Health and Mental Well-being

In this unit we will be learning about maintaining a healthy balanced lifestyle, how to maintain oral hygiene and dental care and understanding the importance of maintaining good mental wellbeing. We will focus on recognising and talking about a range of different emotions and how best to deal with these and support others.

Useful website:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCrjevx3-Js>

Languages:



Animals and Body parts

Whilst we are transitioning to the Spanish language we will continue to investigate new language and sentence features. We will be using our written and spoken language to look at words linked to animals and body parts

Computing: Hour of Code

The class will sign up for Hour of Code and work through various challenges. The class can also choose to take part in global coding events. Over the half term they will be focussing on: What is coding? Why is coding important? What is visual coding What is an algorithm? What is a program? What is a conditional statement?

Useful websites:

<https://hourofcode.com/uk/learn>