



"Working Together, Learning Forever"

Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find below details of the work that your child's class will be doing during this term. We have also suggested ways in which you can continue to help your child at home.

Thank you for your support,
Mr. Thomas & Ms Thompson

Year - 4
Term - Summer
Topic - Roots to Rainforest

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<p>Main areas of study:</p>	<p>This term, our learning journey will take us from our local environment to the Amazon Rainforest, exploring how climates, habitats and communities differ across the world. Through our topic 'Roots to Rainforest', pupils will develop curiosity, creativity and care for the natural world through a wide range of engaging, hands-on experiences.</p> <p>Reading, writing and oracy will be strongly embedded across the curriculum. Pupils will read a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to rainforest animals and environments. Our class novel this term is <i>The Explorer</i>, which will support the development of comprehension, inference and discussion skills.</p> <p>Welsh language learning will focus on reading skills and using third-person sentence patterns, helping pupils grow in confidence when reading and writing Welsh in meaningful contexts. Opportunities for talk, presentations and collaborative discussion will be woven throughout the topic.</p> <p>In Maths and Numeracy, pupils will focus on time, shape and measure. A key priority this term is developing fluency with times tables and applying these skills in increasingly complex problem-solving activities. Regular assessments will continue to help us track progress and ensure children are supported and challenged appropriately.</p> <p>Pupils will explore habitats, food chains and the conditions needed for plant growth, linking local ecosystems to those found in the rainforest. A local field study will allow children to observe and identify plants, animals and habitats first-hand.</p> <p>Technology lessons will focus on coding and animation, helping pupils learn how to plan, create and present ideas using a range of digital media. We are also looking forward to our visit to Plantasia, which will enrich and inspire our scientific learning.</p>
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	<p>Through Humanities, pupils will develop an understanding of place, environment and citizenship. They will compare local climates with the Amazon Rainforest and consider how humans can protect and care for the environment. As part of our religious studies learning, pupils will explore how values such as responsibility, respect and stewardship link to being active and informed citizens.</p> <p>Creativity will flourish this term as pupils explore modelling, watercolours, and printing techniques inspired by rainforest plants and animals. In music, children will listen to music from rainforest cultures and use Music Lab to compose and perform their own pieces, experimenting with rhythm, texture and mood.</p> <p>Health and Well-being remains a strong focus this term. Pupils will enjoy a range of outdoor activities, promoting physical health, teamwork and resilience. They will take part in team games such as rounders, cricket and tennis, alongside developing their athletic skills. These activities support not only physical development but also confidence, cooperation and enjoyment of being active.</p>
<p>Ways in which you can help at home:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This term, we will be conducting personalised assessments - example questions can be found on pupil's HWB accounts. Examples of previous national tests can be found on https://www.llanilltudprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=National+Tests&pid=51. • If you have any literature or items relevant to our topic we would be very grateful if you could send them to school to support the children's learning. • As we are focussing on multiplication and times tables this term, your child will benefit from extra practise at home. Times Tables Rockstars can also support them here. • Please listen to your child read at home every night. A reading diary is provided for you to make comments. • Visit the local library to choose books relevant to topics being studied at school.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PE will continue to be on a Wednesday. Please send your child to school in their kit on this day.
Ways you can help us?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do you have any expertise in any of the areas above you would like to share with us?• Do you have any artefacts or interesting objects we could use?• Can you donate any equipment which may help us develop our outdoor area?

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