

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, Miss Prangle, Mr. Thomas & Mr. Bowen

> Year - 4 Term - Summer Theme - Through the Layers

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Main areas of study:

This Term our focus will be exploring different climates around the world, starting locally and then moving to the Amazon Rainforest through our topic Through the Layers. We will be visiting Clyne Gardens, where the pupils will conduct a field study and explore different habitats. We are also looking forward to visiting Plantasia to help support our learning. In Science and Technology, we will be looking at habitats, food chains and conditions needed for plant growth. We will be reading a range of stories about Rainforest animals, with a particular focus on The Great Kapok Tree and The Explorer. We will be using these books to help us understand strength and resilience. Our empathy project will support us in this. Our Welsh focus will be reading and third person patterns. In Technology this term we will be focussing on coding and animation, and learning how to present our ideas using a range of digital media. As part of our religious studies, the children will be using their ideas about protecting the environment to help them understand citizenship. We will be doing lots of modelling during our

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Expressive Arts lessons The children will also have the opportunity to look carefully at leaves and animals and create detailed pieces. Our music lessons will reflect the cultures of the Rainforest and the children will create their own music using Music Lab.

Health and Wellbeing will continue to be a big focus this term and we are giving the children the opportunity to partake in a range of activities that will help us enjoy the outdoors. They will be playing team games such as rounders, cricket, tennis and practising their athletic skills. During Maths and Numeracy sessions, our focus will be time, shape and measure. We will also be working hard with the children to help them learn their tables and to guide them toward using these skills in move complex problem solving. We will be continuing to test the children regularly to track their progress.

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Ways in which you can help at home:	 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. PE will continue to be on a Tuesday. Please send your child to school in their kit on this day.
Ways you can help us?	 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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