

## English

Our key text for this topic is **The Island at the End of Everything** by Kiran Millwood Hargrave.

**Discussion** – We will write a discussion text, analysing the arguments surrounding the destruction of the rainforest. Children will learn to use relative clauses and connecting adverbs.

**Journey** – We will write journey stories using ideas from the main text. The focus will be on building effective descriptions.

## Maths

In Maths this half term, we will start by adding and subtracting **decimals** as well as exploring decimal sequences. We will then be **converting** kilograms, kilometres, millimetres, millilitres, units of time and we will be learning about metric and imperial units as well as how to read and interpret timetables.

During our final unit on **measurement**, we will be learning about volume and capacity.

## PE

This half term we are very lucky to be taking part in **Forest School** and **Liturgical dance**.

Liturgical dance will be taught by our talented dance teacher, Kerry, who will teach the children a dance routine around our RE topic. Forest school will teach the children great life skills such as perseverance, team work and the class will take part in some fantastic outdoor learning activities!

## RE

In RE this half term, we will be completing two units: **Reconciliation** and the **Universal church**. During our reconciliation unit we will be looking at the theme of Freedom and Responsibility, how we can do this safely and the rules God wants us to follow. During our Universal Church unit, we will be looking at the theme of Stewardship. This looks at how the Earth is a gift and what we can do to protect, respect and care for it.

## Year 5 – Summer 2



## Under the Canopy

## DT

We will be creating our own jungle animals using **pneumatics**! This will involve a carefully placed balloon inside an animal, using the air to make a part of the animal move!

## Computing

We will be creating simple **databases** and charts about rainforest animals using Excel.

## Geography

In Geography this half term, we will be looking at the **Amazon Rainforest**. This will include: deforestation, how humans have improved and destroyed the rainforest, people (such as Sir David Attenborough) who have taken part in projects to help preserve the rainforest and what we can do to help ensure the destruction of the rainforest does not effect the whole planet.

## Art

This half term, we will be studying the work of **Henri Rousseau** and using this as inspiration for some Rainforest art including some batik rainforest animals on fabric! We will be using wax and dye to create our final piece, we look forward to sharing them with you!

## Science

In Science this half term, we will be looking at the **lifecycle of different plants and animals**. We will be able to describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, amphibian, insect and bird and the process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

## Music

In Music this half term, we will be continuing to develop our **chord playing** on the keyboard and combining these with a simple melody. Our Charanga unit is focused around revisiting songs and musical activities from this year, a context for the **History of Music** and the beginnings of the **Language of Music**.