

## Kington St. Michael C.E. Primary School

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## Termly overview for parents and children in Eagle Class: Term 1 2025

## Rainforests

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have had a lovely summer break and are now ready for the new academic year ahead! Mrs Rylance will be teaching Eagles on a Monday and Mrs Samuels will be teaching from Tuesday to Friday. Mrs Rogers and Mrs Metcalfe will be our Assistant Teachers (when she has recovered). Mrs Sanders is supporting the class until then, in the afternoons. Mrs Hussey will continue to teach French to the children.

Our topic this term is 'Rainforests' and we will be looking at where rainforests are found in the World, what a rainforest actually looks like and we will be exploring the different plants and animals living there. We have an exciting trip and workshop planned for September, to Longleat Safari Park to help immerse the children in this topic! We will be examining atlases and doing lots of map work, comparing the climate and rainforests with forests and woodland in the UK. We will also be looking at how humans have affected rainforest habitats and what we can do to look after them for the future.

In Science, we will be investigating micro-habitats and food chains. We will be composing music with a Rainforest theme too!

We will be reading some lovely books connected to our Rainforest theme – please refer to our curriculum jigsaw for more details. As you will see on the jigsaw, we will be extending our understanding of place value by looking at larger numbers in Maths and of course, continuing our work on our times tables! We have been planning some fun Art activities too and hope to transform Eagles Class into a mini rainforest!

As always, we endeavour to listen to individual children read as much as we can and try to make sure all books are changed/checked by the end of the week. Please listen to your children read as much as possible and write in their Reading journals — Thank you.

Homework for Term 1 will be given out on Tuesday and collected on the following Monday. Homework will start in week 2 and will be different this year across the school. We will be introducing a homework grid, which will consist of five tasks to be completed over the course of the term. The expectation is that **at least** three of the five are completed. Alongside this will be weekly spelling and maths tasks.

P.E. will be on a Tuesday and one additional day, so please can children have labelled P.E. shorts and/or jog bottoms, coloured P.E. T-shirt, trainers and also a P.E. hoodie at school for the whole week.

As we have all experienced recently, the weather is so changeable so please can you make sure that your child has a coat every day, a soft brimmed sunhat and a clearly named water bottle. All sunscreen should be applied before school.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any comments or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Rylance, Mrs Samuels, Mrs Rogers and Mrs Metcalfe.



