



### Core basic skills

**Writing:** The children will learn to write:

- Stories with issues
- Formal letters
- Persuasion
- Explanation

**Reading:** the children will learn these reading skills:

Comprehension, inference, questioning.

Books: The Great Kapok Tree

**Maths:** the children will learn these mathematical skills:

Shape, Time, Number consolidation

**Computing:** the children will learn the following skills:

Log on

Word processing skills

Researching using the internet – fact finding

Using Chrome Music Lab to create rainforest-inspired music

Using Purple Mash

### Topic Title:

Rainforest Rhythms

### Hook for Learning:

Launch- Effects of deforestation (car park problem)

Land- persuasive letters

### Healthy Lifestyles:

PSHE – Looking after our planet (carbon cycle etc.)

PE- athletics

### Global Dimension:

Geog – Use maps, atlases, digital mapping to locate rainforests, carbon cycle, layers of the rainforest (including animals)

### Environmental Challenge:

Outdoor learning- forest school

Understand the impact of palm oil.

### Technical Work:

Design and make a model rainforest (link to homework)

### Creative Learning:

Multi-media artwork inspired by Henri Rousseau

**Main subject:** the children will research...

Deforestation of the rainforests:

- the importance of the rainforests
- palm oil
- greenhouse gases
- our impact on the world

**Cross Curricular Writing:** Application of skills, 1 piece per fortnight

Descriptive writing of the rainforest

Persuasive writing – palm oil / deforestation

Non- chronological report – fact file on animals of the rainforest

**Cross Curricular Reading:** Application of skills

Non-fiction texts about rainforests

**Cross Curricular Maths** – Problem solving

3D shapes- model rainforest

coordinates

**Homework:** Reading books. Spellings, times tables

See Queensmead Quest in homework book for further activities