

## English

### Reading

The children will be reading, listening to and discussing a range of books including, The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry and The Green Ship by Quentin Blake

### Writing

They will apply their SPAG knowledge to write their poetry, balanced arguments and an information text. We will also write our own narratives from a different characters point of view, which we will edit and improve.

### SPAG

The children will develop their knowledge of using fronted adverbials, punctuate direct speech and use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause.

## Geography

We are going to discover where the rainforest are located, what they are like, and who lives in the rainforest (including animals, plants and indigenous people). We are also going to learn about the deforestation of the rainforest and investigate different ways that it can be saved.

## PE

This half term the children will be focusing on Gymnastics. They will continue to develop their necessary flexibility, strength and control needed to perform the movements successfully. We will focus on:

- Perform dances using a range of movement patterns.
- Compare their performances with previous ones and demonstrate improvements.

## Art

During Art this half term we will be learning about the painter Henri Rousseau and looking closely at his paintings of the jungle and rainforests. Children will learn how to paint in the style of Henri Rousseau.

## Acorn Class Spring Term 1 Topic Web

### **What can we do to save the rainforest?**

## PSHE

During PSHE this half term we will be focusing on strengths and challenges. We will celebrate achievements, set personal goals, learn how to deal with put-downs and positive ways to deal with set-backs.

## RE

The children will explore the Hindu story of Rama and Sita about how it inspires them to follow their dharma.

They will start by engaging with the idea of duty, roles and responsibilities. We will then enquire into the characters of Sita and Rama and explore why they are so inspirational to Hindus.

The children will express their learning by creating their own diva lamps and decorating them in sequins etc.

## French

In French this half term we will be exploring the theme "food"

We will learn key vocabulary and phrases around the theme of food, including what's in your lunchbox, the hungry dog and buying food at the market.

## Maths

### Year 3

- Write and calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division using the multiplication and division facts they know.
- Solve problems, including missing number and positive integer scaling problems.

### Year 4

- Multiply a two and three digit number by a 1 digit number.
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations.

## Science

In Science, the children will be learning about living things and their habitats. They will use their working scientifically skills to learn about:

- MRS GREN
- Grouping living things
- Classifying vertebrates
- Invertebrate hunt and local habitat surveys
- Environmental changes

## Computing

In computing the children will be making their own game using Scratch. They will design their game and create artwork for their background and main character, write and debug their code, present their game and evaluate it.