



St. Andrew's Primary

Learning Overview

Mrs Lane Primary 4



Literacy	Maths
The children will begin reading Stage 4 novels this term and will explore the 6 reading comprehension strategies to deepen their knowledge of the characters, setting and plot. They will be writing imaginative narratives using descriptive sentences to boost their writing potential, with a focus on accurate use of punctuation. Children will follow a similar Spelling/Phonics programme to the Stage 3 but with some changes.	In maths the children are extending their range of numbers, identifying, reading and writing numbers within ten thousand. The children will be actively involved in daily Number Talk sessions where they will look at strategies to be used to get answers. The children will explore 2D and 3D shape with Miss Beekman.
Health & Wellbeing (including PE)	Religious Education
In PE the children are working with Mr Cairns who is working on the Better Movers & Thinkers programme. They are continuing to develop their multi-cognitive ability; stimulating both sides of the brain simultaneously. The children are being reminded of the importance of safe movement and cooperation within the gym hall setting.	In RE the children are focusing on the Ten Commandments and looking at consequences and punishments. During the month of October they will look at Mary our Mother. During the month of November they will focus on Saints and in particular Saint Andrew. On the lead up to Christmas they will explore the theme of Advent.
Science	Social Subjects
N/A – Will be a focus in Term 2.	The children are exploring the Rainforest during which they will learn about animals, plant life, the layers and the importance of the rainforest. They will engage in an exciting homework project demonstrating what they have learned.
Technology	Music
The children will revise safe and effective use of a range of ICT equipment this term. They will make use of PowerPoint to create a presentation in line with their topic and will access appropriate websites to research animals of the rainforest. Children will become familiar with SUMDOG a new online programme for developing their numeracy skills.	The children will begin using ABC music to explore the concept of rhythm and will explore the instruments from the Percussion section of the orchestra.
Drama	Art
Using our topic – The Rainforest – the children will explore the drama conventions of hot-seating, mime, freeze frame and role on the wall to deepen their knowledge of life in the rainforest environment.	The children will explore primary colours and the colour wheel and will look at ways of mixing colours to create new colours and shades. Throughout the term they will create art pieces relating to their rainforest topic, focussing on different shades of greens and browns. They will also explore line where they will focus on branches and leaves found in the rainforest.
Spanish P6-7	Homework Projects
N/A	Homework is distributed on a Monday morning and returned on a Thursday. Children will be given the opportunity to use arts & crafts and recycled items at home to create a rainforest scene. *keep checking diary for the project date.

Please find brief details of what your child will be covering in class this term. Take time to ask them about their learning. We know children attain better when a parent or carer at home discusses their learning with them. Like you, we want all our children attaining and achieving to their maximum potential.