

# Year 3/4 Curriculum Information Spring 2

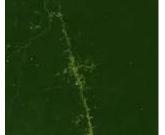


Homework: Children are set times tables through Times Tables Rockstars. Please see your maths newsletter for more information on this. Library: Children visit the library weekly to choose a reading book, this will be on a Wednesday. Please encourage children to read at home and initial and date their bookmark for each session.	<ul> <li>PE and Outdoor Learning:</li> <li>Turtles and Penguins: PE – Wednesday &amp; Friday Outdoor Learning – This will take place on alternate weeks during Spring 2; please refer to the website for dates.</li> <li>Giraffes and Zebras: PE – Wednesday &amp; Friday Outdoor Learning – This will take place in Summer 1.</li> </ul>	Theme Outcome: Year 3 - Our theme outcome is Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2:30pm – 3:00pm. We hope you can join us. Year 4 - Our theme outcome is Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2:30pm – 3:00pm. We hope you can join us.
English Throughout this half term, our class reader will be The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate. In English sessions, both year groups will be reading Greta and the Giants. Children will be using this to understand vocabulary that will be used in later theme sessions. We will be applying our previously learnt reading skills when looking at the narrative. After Theme week, we will be applying all of our new knowledge when writing a letter to our local MP about the importance of habitat preservation and climate change. Following this, the children will be using the Just So Stories book to create their own traditional tale. Please record any reading done at home on your child's bookmark by initialling on it and writing the date.	MathsChildren will be doing daily arithmetic focusing on key skills including multiplication, division, addition, subtraction and finding fractions of an amount.The Year 3 / 4 units which will be covered in this half term include: <ul><li>Multiplication and Division</li><li>Fractions</li><li>Geometry</li><li>Statistics (Year 3)</li></ul> We will be continuing to build on children's speed and fluency of times tables recall through daily practice. It is very important children learn their times tables and any support with them at home would be beneficial. Please ask the class teacher if you would like more information on how to support them.Children will regularly be encouraged to tell the time both in and outside of our allocated maths time. As this is a particularly challenging concept, please encourage them to use the different clocks at home and to read the time regularly.	ScienceLiving Things and their HabitatsWe will:• Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.• Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things.• Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.• Theme Voice of the people – Greta Thunberg We will:• Understand how land has changed over time.• Look at the impact of economic activity on the environment.• Look at the distribution of natural resources.

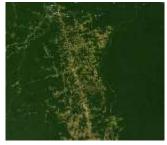
## HUMAN IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENTS

#### WHAT IS DEFORESTATION?

Deforestation is when forests are destroyed by cutting trees (logging) and not replanting them. The most common reason is to clear the land to make farms, ranches, and cities. This can be seen using aerial pictures of forest areas.



Amazon Rainforest in 2011



Amazon Rainforest in 2019

#### **VOICE OF THE PEOPLE:**

#### **GRETA THUNBERG:**

Born on January 3, 2003, in Stockholm, Sweden, Greta is a Swedish environmental activist who worked to address the problem of climate change,

founding (2018) a movement known as Fridays for Future (also called School Strike for Climate).



#### **DAVID ATTENBOROUGH:**

An English broadcaster, writer, and

naturalist noted for his innovative educational television programs, especially the nine-part Life series.



### KEY VOCABULARY:

#### **SLASH AND BURN**



#### LOGGING

