

## Literacy

This half term we will be working hard to improve both our reading and writing in our daily phonics sessions. We will be focusing on learning letter sounds to help us to improve our reading fluency. We will be practising composing sentences orally; using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces; correct letter formation and using our phonics knowledge to help to spell key words. We will be applying these skills across the curriculum to embed our learning.

## Maths

This half-term we will be focusing on multiplication and division, learning to recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2s, 5s and 10s times tables. We will learn about the commutative law of multiplication. We will be solving problems using a variety of practical resources, arrays and mental methods. We will also be learning all about money - finding equivalences, adding and subtracting.

## Geography

We will be looking at the Equatorial regions of the world in our topic 'From Oldham to the Amazon'. We will be using atlases and geographical vocabulary and identifying features of a rainforest. We will be investigating the climate of a rainforest and looking at the animals that inhabit this environment. We will be comparing the lives of people who live in the Amazon to our own lives in Oldham.

## Art

We will be looking at the artist Henri Rousseau and his jungle artwork. We will also be creating our own jungle pattern pieces.

## Computing

We will be introducing children to using the Internet safely and with a purpose. We will be learning how to search the Internet using one word; how to make sense of the returned results; how to use "for kids" to return more suitable results and how to follow links.

# From Oldham to the Amazon

Diamond and Pearl  
Spring 1

## PE

In PE we will be learning about gymnastics with a focus on spinning, turning and twisting. We will also be playing net and wall games. Please see our class pages for more information and to find out the days for our indoor and outdoor sessions.

## Music

This term we will be learning to play in a band. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose, children will listen and appraise classic rock songs.

## RE

This term we will be focusing on Islam and asking "How should we care for others and the world?"

## Science

This half term we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will be making observations of a local habitat and the creatures that live there. We will also research global habitats and look at how the living things there are suited to their environments.