Redland School

As readers...

We will be reading the story The Great Kapok Tree' as a class. We will also be looking at examples of information texts relating to our topic. Reading lessons will focus on a range of different reading skills, including: decoding, skimming and scanning as well as other comprehension skills.

Please continue to read regularly at home – aim for at least 3 times each week $\textcircled{\sc o}$

As writers...

We will be checking our expanding are use of different sentence types, looking at subordination and coordination.

We will recap the use of adjectives to write descriptively. We will be making links to our rainforest topic when writing information texts at the beginning of the term and then moving on to longer narrative writing.

As linguists...

We will be learning about New Year traditions in France. We will also be learning the names of body parts, the days of the week and the months of the year and applying in different contexts.

As mathematicians...

We will be continuing to focus on multiplication and division at the start of the term. Then looking at measures, with a focus on: length, height and perimeter.

We will continue to work on our KIRFs targets. The class KIRFs focus will be: Multiplication and division facts for the 4x tables in Puffins and multiplication and division facts for the 8x tables in Nightingales.

'Rainforests'

This term we there will be a geography focus for our topic. We will be finding out about rainforests: learning about the types of rainforests and focussing in on tropical rainforests. We will investigate rainforest climates, the layers of the rainforest and their animal inhabitants. We will also discuss conservation issues relating to deforestation.



As members of our community (PSHE)...

we will be looking at 'Being Me in My World' and the year ahead, including being a global citizen. **As active individuals (PE)...**

Both Puffins and Nightingales will be having tag rugby lessons - Puffins will be with Mr Murphy. Puffins will also have gymnastics and Nightingales will have yoga.

<u>Please note – PE kits need to be worn to school on a</u> <u>Wednesdays and Thursdays for Puffins and Mondays and</u> <u>Tuesdays for Nightingales.</u>

Classes: Puffins and Nightingales

Please see our website pages:



Puffins

Nightingales

What's on... 6.1.25 School TD Day Trip to the Living Rainforest, date TBC

Please check Class Dojo regularly for updates and key messages.

Homework...

Children in Puffins and Nightingales will be given weekly spellings and KIRFs (mental maths) targets to practise. If your child doesn't fully understand what they need to do, please ensure they speak to their teacher. O

As scientists...

In Puffins, we will be learning about 'Plants (light and dark)' then 'Living things and their habitats'. In Nightingales, we will be learning about 'Fossils' and then 'Plants'.

As computing experts...

We will be learning and spreadsheets using the Purple Mash scheme of learning. We will also be utilising apps and websites to support other areas of the curriculum.