

Autumn Term 1  
2024



# Our Forest Home





Year 1  
7 week study

## What is it all about?

In this topic, your child will learn to make observations of the New Forest and learn about the features of the forest. The children will also make observations of the rainforest in Brazil and make comparisons to the New Forest.



## Curriculum Focus:

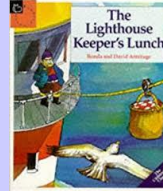
Subject:	Outcomes:	Vocabulary:	Key facts to learn:
In Geography children will: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*find areas of the New Forest and Brazilian rainforest.</li> <li>•spot human and physical features of the New Forest and the Brazilian rainforest.</li> <li>•compare different places in the New Forest.</li> <li>•learn how the New Forest and the Brazilian rainforest are managed.</li> </ul>	forest, town, village, buildings, sea, stream, pond, road, place names, Brazil, rainforest, Amazon, South America, tree, vegetation, equator, continent	<u>Where is the New Forest?</u> The New Forest is in the south of England. <u>Where is Brazil?</u> Brazil is a country in South America. <u>What is a forest?</u> A forest is an ecosystem with a high volume of trees and wildlife. <u>What music style would you associate with Brazil?</u> Samba
In Art children will: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*use clay to create a sculpture of a tree.</li> </ul>	sculpture, texture, tools, effect, clay, mould, shape, observational, pencil - HB, B, 2B, 4B	<u>What is sculpture?</u> Sculpture is a three-dimensional form created by carving, modelling, construction and assembling materials. <u>What materials can be used in sculpture?</u> Hard materials, such as, stone, marble, metal, wood or glass. Plastic materials, such as, clay, plaster, textiles, soap or paper. <u>How can clay be sculpted?</u> Clay can be shaped by hand or by using tools.
In D.T. children will:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* design and build a winding mechanism.</li> </ul>	winding, mechanism, axle, tension, movement	<u>What is a winding mechanism?</u> Winding mechanisms make things move by using a turning action. <u>What winding mechanisms do you know?</u> hose, well, extension lead, Hoover cable system (Henry)
In Computing children will:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* find information from digital sources.</li> <li>* navigate websites to find information.</li> </ul>	search, find, key vocabulary, question, answer, facts, data, information, keyboard, mouse	<u>How can I find out information?</u> Go on the internet and use the search function.

## Outcome:

At the end of the topic the children will be able to describe the New Forest and part of the Brazilian rainforest.

In addition to the topic based learning outlined above, your child will also be learning the following.

In English: Children will write narratives to entertain based on 'The Magic Brush' and 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. They will also write reports and instructions.



In Maths: Children will add and subtract on their own number line; read and write numbers to 100.



In R.E: Children will learn about forgiveness through the story of Jonah.



In P.E.: Children will improve dance techniques and games tactics.

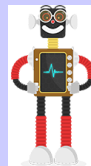
In Computing: Children will be learning how to be safe online and how to ask different types of questions.



In Music: Children will be learning how to play tuned percussion.

In Science: Children will be setting up the 'Bug Hotel' and exploring the different properties of materials.

In P.S.H.E.: Children will be developing their knowledge on how to 'Get Heartsmart'.



**Ways to support your child at home:**

- ❖ Explore the New Forest.
- ❖ Find out about the Brazilian rainforest.
- ❖ Play your maths game each week.
- ❖ Learn weekly spellings.
- ❖ Read at least 3 times a week.



**Important Dates:**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October AM - New Forest Trip - letter to follow**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 9am - Science Walk (parent help needed).**

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 9am Listen to Me Music Concert**

**PE**

**Tuesdays and Fridays**  
Please keep PE kit in school.

**The World:**



This half term our focus continent is:  
**South America**



**Focus Author:**

This half term we are reading books by  
**Mini Grey.**

