



Parkland Primary School Curriculum Newsletter

Year 5

Term: Summer 2

Reading

Our class text this half term is 'Lost in the Amazon' by Tod Olson. We are really excited about accompanying Juliane Koepcke on her adventure through the Amazon Rainforest. At 17, the biologist was the sole survivor of an actual plane crash in the Amazon.

"One girl. Two million square miles of rainforest."

Maths

In Maths, we have just completed decimals as percentages and fractions; adding and subtracting decimals. We are now moving onto exploring the properties of shape, looking at how angles are measured and how to describe 3D shapes by their properties.

In timetables we are revising all our times tables, with some particular times tables targeted for individual pupils.

Wider Curriculum Learning Journeys

Year 5's Design Technology and Science led topic this half term is called 'Amazing Amazon.' In Science we are learning about the lifecycles of different animals and plants. For Design Technology we will be looking at designing structures; the children will get the opportunity to create and test their own bridge!

Summer 1 Topic Amazing Amazon



PSHE and Wellbeing

Our PSHE topic this term is about Changing and growing. We have looked at labelling body parts and discussed the changes that will take place to our bodies as we move through puberty.

We will also be discussing the human lifecycle before moving on to look at other life changes which include loss and grief.

English

Our English this term will continue to be based on the Amazing Amazon! We will be writing our own narrative ending based on Juliane Koepcke's amazing journey of survival in the Amazon rainforest. Year 5 will also be writing a letter to their prospective Year 6 teachers, telling them about themselves.

The key knowledge and skills we will be refining are:

- Describe settings and characters to reveal mood/atmosphere.
- Use semi-colons for separating clauses and in expanded lists.
- Use commas to separate items in a list.
- Use colons to introduce a list.
- Use the passive voice.
- Use cohesive devices (including consistent and correct use of verb tense) to help writing flow coherently.



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Noticeboard

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KEY DATES:

Sports Day

Year 5 & 6 – 23rd June

Transition Days

29th/30th June

4th/5th July

End of Term Reports

1st July

School Closes

End of Thursday 7th July

Reminders

Water Bottle

Please ensure your child has a **re-useable** water bottle with them in school to keep them healthy and hydrated.

PE Days

Please remember to send your child into school in suitable, warm PE kit on their PE days below.

5RR – Tuesday and Friday

5CC – Wednesday and Thursday

5AN – Wednesday and Thursday



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