



## Specific Areas of Learning

### Mathematics

- Representing 1-5 and 6-10 in different ways.
- Teen numbers.
- Comparing groups of objects
- Continuing to develop the correct mathematical language
- Continue to recognize and order numbers.
- Adding Numicon pieces to make 5 and then 10.
- Adding groups of objects and finding the answer.
- Subtracting by taking away objects.

### Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Free flow choosing time within a planned Early Years Environment provides children with opportunities to develop self-confidence, their sense of self and begin to make established friendships within their class group. Children will make independent choices about their learning by carefully selecting resources both on their own and with others, which will enable them to use and apply their knowledge of the world around them, subsequently leading to a greater level of understanding. Children will converse with one another, negotiate, take turns, learn about each other's feelings, and begin to understand how their actions can affect these.

### Prime Areas of Learning

Topic Title:

## Jungles and Rainforests



### Physical Development

Weekly **Physical Education lessons**

#### Outdoor Environment -

Trim trail, bikes and scooters, mud kitchen, stage, den building, large scale construction resources

#### Sensory/Fine Motor Skills -

Developing muscle tone and hand-eye coordination

#### Use correct pencil grip

Experience and explore different textures

- Alligator swap with shaving foam and food colouring.
- Grass, twigs, leaves, large pebbles and animals in Tuft tray.

### Understanding the World

- Finding where Jungles and Rainforests are on a globe or in an atlas/on a map.
- Jungle/Rainforest animals and how they survive.
- Climates and temperatures
- Food chains
- Habitats and animal homes.
- Planning a jungle expedition - what clothes/things do we need to take?

### Communication & Language

- Talk Partners provide regular opportunities for children to converse, discuss and peer assess their learning
- Free-flow choosing time promotes an expanse of communication - listening, talking, responding, understanding
- Weekly **Spanish lessons**
- Daily phonics teaching, including the introduction and discussion of new vocabulary

### Literacy

#### Fiction

- Rumble in the Jungle - Giles Andreae
- Monkey Puzzle - Julia Donaldson
- Little Monkey - Marta Altes

#### Non-fiction

- National Geographic Kids First Big Book of the Rainforest.

**Big Writing - sentence structure, punctuation, letter formation and size**

#### Phonics

Little Wandle: Phase 2 and Phase 3  
Segmenting and blending  
CVC/CVCC/CCVC words,  
double letter words,  
longer words, revise  
tricky words

#### Literacy ideas may include:

- Make a jungle book.
- Describing animals.
- Save our Rainforest poster.
- Write postcard from the Jungle.
- Small world story characters or puppets.

### Expressive Arts & Design

- Egg box Crocodiles
- Concertina snakes
- Chameleon colours - tones and shades of colour
- Patterns of animals
- Various Jungle themed crafts
- Sensory and texture play - clay, playdough