

A Wonderful World: Appreciating God's Creations

This theme will showcase the world we live in. Each year group will have the chance to explore a special part of our world- starting on a local level and then venturing further afield. Geography and Science will be some of the main drivers in this unit, with each year group focusing on place knowledge to start their learning. This unit also has many enrichment opportunities: children will have the opportunity to experience what it is they are learning about, and to be able to draw effective comparisons to what they already know including their local area.



Year 1 - Forests

Throughout this focus, children will discover the importance of the world's forests – studying these from different focus points.

Through **Geography** children will be able to identify the UK on a world map and identify the location of different forests. Children will also look at the different aspects of a forest including wildlife and habitats. They will also look at the oceans and countries using maps and globes, as well as looking at weather patterns. Through **Art**, children will learn to make natural collages, use pencil skills for sketching and use a range of materials to create pictures of seasonal changes. They will also learn about how to sketch and make different marks for affect, as well as using their experience and imagination to draw pictures.

In **Science**, children will be learning about the structure of plants and trees, identifying and classifying wild and garden plants as well as different types of trees.

In **Computing**, children will be exploring the hardware of a computer, its uses in the world, looking at different programmes they might need to use.

Wider Curriculum

As well as exploring the forests, children will continue to learn in other areas of the curriculum alongside their theme. These areas include...

Computing

Hardware of a computer

PE

Dance and Run, Jump and Throw

Cooking

Dips and Dunkers

Theme Impact

Children will learn to take responsibility for looking after the world around them. Children will focus on how the forest has been treated in the past and what they can do to change and improve this.

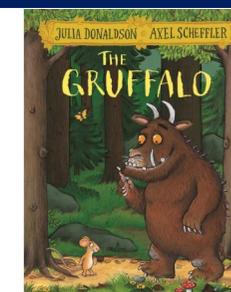
Catholic Social Teaching

Children will focus on community and participation, building on the teachings of Year Reception. They are to look at different communities, particularly those of different faiths. What builds their community? Their interests, religion, beliefs and qualities. How can they add to our community for the good of others? How can we help and support those around us?

Application

Children to explore different ways of saving the forests through discussion, posters and voting.
World Land Trust – Buy and Acre Programme.

Class Reader



Enrichment

Wyre Forest and Forest School