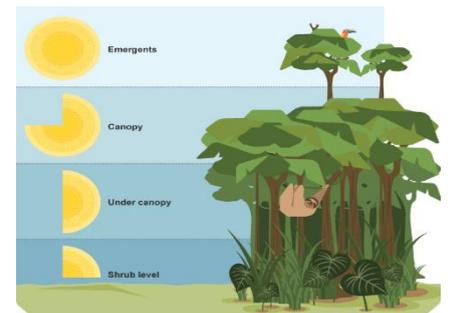


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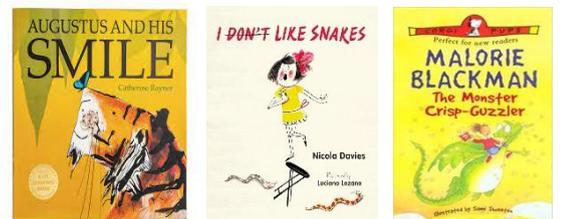
Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary **Year 2** pupils,

Each term, we send you a letter to let you know what your child will be learning about in each subject. This term, Year 2 will be learning about '**Rainforests**' in their **Geography** lessons. This unit will teach the children about different rainforests in the U.K and South America. It will explore the trees and animals that can be found there and will also cover the differences in tourism opportunities. The unit will cover the products that are imported to the U.K from rainforests, which include edible goods and medicinal supplies. It concludes by considering climate change and discusses how rainforests are under threat. Please feel free to use the knowledge organiser with your child to develop their knowledge and understanding at home.



In **Science**, the children will be finding out how to make things move and how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials, can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

In **English**, the children's writing will be based on the book 'Augustus and his Smile' by Catherine Rayner and 'I don't like Snakes' by Nicola Davies. In their **Whole Class Reading** sessions, they will be reading 'The Monster Crisp-Guzzler' by



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Malorie Blackman.

In **Maths**, children will learn about place value within 50, where they will solve some missing number problems. Also, they will estimate and measure length and height by choosing suitable standard units, such as cm and kg. The children will learn about mass and volume, which will involve comparing and ordering units and recording the results using  $<$ ,  $>$  and  $=$ .

In **RE**, the children will explore the question 'What makes some places sacred to believers?' and in **SMSC** (Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural education) the children will learn about 'Rights and Responsibilities'.

In **Design Technology** lessons, the children will be designing and making a hand puppet using the skill of sewing. In **Music**, the children will be using glockenspiels to create a rhythmic piece of music.

This term, PE will take place on Fridays - children should wear their PE kit to school on this day please.

If you ever have any questions about your child's learning, please email [year2@marineacademy.org.uk](mailto:year2@marineacademy.org.uk). We are really looking forward to another great term ahead!

Yours sincerely,

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Knowledge Organiser Geography Year 2 Term 4

Key Vocabulary



Rainforest  
Tropical  
Continent  
Equator  
North Sea  
Climate  
Amazon

Flora  
Fauna  
Vegetation  
Landmark  
Herbivore  
Carnivore  
Biodiversity

Products  
Export  
Atmosphere  
Climate Change  
Carbon Dioxide  
Environment  
Temperate  
Temperature  
Seasons

Tourism  
Economy  
Wildlife  
Leisure  
Drought  
Mining  
Deforestation  
Sustainable  
Reduce

Key Geographical Questions



Where are tropical rainforests located?  
What are the layers of a tropical rainforest?  
How are the plants and animals in rainforests different?  
How do humans rely on the rainforest?  
Where are the UK's temperate rainforests?  
How is tourism different in the U.K and Amazon?  
How are rainforests under threat?

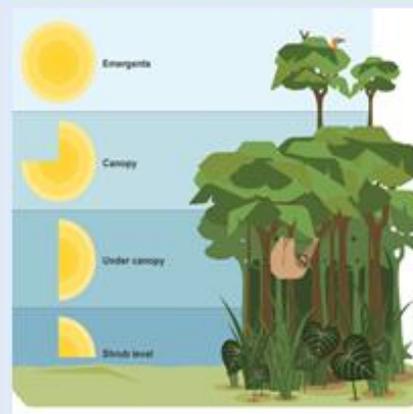
Key Images



Rainforests release oxygen and



Map of Tropical Rainforests



Layers of Tropical Rainforests



U.K map of Temperate

