

## English Links

We will be studying a range of texts which link to the adventures of Charles Darwin and the geography of South America. We will use these to inspire our writing in a range of genres.

We will be combining setting and character descriptions, based in areas of South America, such as the rainforest.

We will be writing biographies based on examples including Charles Darwin and Mary Anning. We will also be learning how to write a balanced argument, looking at the different ways Mary Anning and Charles Darwin were treated.



## Year 6 Autumn Term Curriculum Overview



### What Mr Darwin Saw

**Science** We will be following the journey of Charles Darwin to discover a range of species and thinking about their habitats, adaptations and lifecycles.

**Geography** We will be exploring South America just as Charles Darwin did, discovering the geography and people of the continent, with a particular focus on mountains.

**Art** Just like Charles Darwin, we will be keeping a sketchbook as a record of our discoveries in South America. We will be developing our sketching skills, learning how to add depth and tone through shading.

**Computing** We will be applying our Computing skills to create nature documentaries.

**Music** We will be learning about Samba music and composing our own Samba rhythms relating to different animals.

## Mathematics

- ✚ Reading and writing numbers up to ten million.
- ✚ Comparing and ordering numbers up to ten million.
- ✚ Rounding numbers
- ✚ Negative numbers
- ✚ Adding and subtracting whole numbers with more than 4 digits
- ✚ Inverse operations
- ✚ Multi-step problems
- ✚ Multiplying a 4-digit number by a 2-digit number
- ✚ Division
- ✚ Factors, multiples, primes and squares

## Global Citizenship and RE

**Islam** - Children will explore and consider the question: What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?

**Christianity**- Do Christmas celebrations and traditions help Christians understand who Jesus was and why he was born? Understand the importance of biodiversity, wider causes and the implications of climate change. Recognise connections and interdependencies between local and global issues

## Physical Education

Please come to school **DRESSED IN PE KIT** on days when you have PE. For both Phoenix and Eagles, this will be on Thursdays and Fridays. Please remember for PE kit you will need: trainers or pumps, a plain white t shirt as well as black / navy shorts.

If the weather is cold, you can wear black navy tracksuit bottoms and a black / navy jumper / tracksuit top.

## Home Learning

- ✚ Daily reading to an adult. Please sign your child's planner to show that they have read. This can be their Bug Club book, Bug Club online or their reading for pleasure book.
  - ✚ Mathematics and Times Table Rockstars to develop fluency and practise skills.
  - ✚ Practising the week's spelling rule on Spelling Frame.
- Log-in details will be provided as soon as possible.