



# Year 2 News

## 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025



### What we've been learning recently

**English** – We have been reading *The Great Kapok Tree* as an introduction into learning about rainforest deforestation. From this, the children have composed persuasive letters from a chosen rainforest animal to humans detailing reasons why damaging our rainforests needs to stop. Within the letter content, children were able to demonstrate their skills of expanding noun phrases and using different types of sentences.

**Maths** – We have continued to learn about multiplication and division using manipulatives to help us build arrays, group and share amounts. This has really helped the children to 'see' the concept and get to grips with it before we begin to use pictorial and abstract methods. If there are any opportunities over the half term to group and share numbers with your child, please do make use of these.

**Wider Curriculum** – Our enquiry question, 'How are habitats different?' culminated in a fantastic trip to the Eden Project last Thursday. The children thoroughly enjoyed experiencing a tropical habitat which has helped to bring their English, Science and Geography learning to life. We are very proud to be official 'Rainforest Rangers'!

### Over the next fortnight we will be...

- We will be concluding our multiplication and division units by learning the facts of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables before exploring length and measure.
- In English, we will begin to explore a story from a different culture; 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' and use this to create their own stories.
- Our new Wider Curriculum enquiry question will be 'What is it made of and how does it work?' focusing on science (materials) and DT.

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### Important Notices

**Change of PE day after half term** – The children have had lots of fun learning the skills needed to play basketball this half term with DT Sports. As it is the turn of another year group to benefit from these sessions, our PE day will be on a **Monday** after half term. Please ensure your child comes to school in full PE kit every Monday.

**Save the Date: Year 2 Assembly** – This will take place at 9am on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March and will last for no more than 30 minutes. The children will be delighted to share their learning with you.

### Shining Stars

Congratulations to our Shining Stars from the last two weeks for demonstrating our school values.

**2B** – Harley, Joe, Lucas & Alfie

**2W** – Lennon, Milo, Ollie & Ruan