

Climate Zones and Biomes

BIG Question

Do Humans Help our World?

Welcome back year five! We hope you had a relaxing and well-deserved Christmas holiday.

Our half term of learning will be driven by the knowledge we will be acquiring in Geography. Climate zones and biomes are crucial to the well-being of our planet and knowledge of how different parts of the globe experience different weather and climate is increasingly important as we face issues over climate change. Year 5 have been given the task by Dartmoor National Park Authority to design and publish leaflets on how landowners, farmers and families can help preserve and encourage the growth of our local temperate rainforests. The children will be visiting Wistman’s Wood on Dartmoor, one of the few remaining fragments of English rainforest, and learning all about this fragile and important eco-system. More details on the proposed trip coming soon...



Wistman’s Wood, Dartmoor. One of Britain’s few remaining fragments of temperate rainforest.

English

Revisit:

Capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks.

Adverbs and modal verbs.

Metaphors, similes, descriptions.

Neat and joined handwriting.

Words with silent ‘b’

Words with ‘ough’

Words ending ‘-ible’

Homophones

Words ending ‘-able’

Year 2 common words and frequently misspelt

New learning:

Prefix mis, un-, dis-

Word ending -sure

Short u sound- ou

Adding the prefix auto-

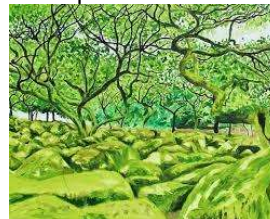
Adding the suffix -ly

Adding the suffix inter-

Art

The children will be learning all about mixed media landscape art. They will learn about a range of artists who work outdoors (‘Plein Air’ artists) and mark making techniques. Each child will adapt their sketchbooks so that they work for them as artists; using fold-out pages, envelopes and notes to help them develop their knowledge of different skills and techniques. Towards the end of the Enquiry Project (EP), they will produce a piece of mixed media art based on their field visit to Wistman’s Wood.

Examples:



Artist: Joe Webster – Wistman’s Wood



Artist: Philippa Beale – Woodland

| Vocabulary | Catholic Life |
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| forest rainforest grassland desert habitat resources deforestation unsustainable tropical polar ocean climate zone biome tundra biodiversity temperate | Gospel Values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Humility • Justice Catholic Social Teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stewardship (Laudato Si) Religious Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission. Do we all have a mission in life? |
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Be Safe Be Respectful Be Ready

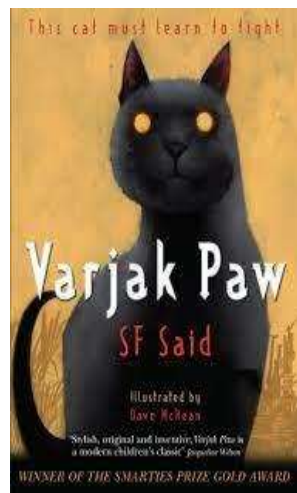


Reminders

P.E – Monday

Please remember that children should have their PE kits in school.

Children should bring a drink to school every day.



Class Book

Homework

Weekly Spelling Tests

TT Rockstars- 10 minutes daily

IXL weekly

In addition to our focus subjects, we will also be learning the following...

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| <i>In Maths</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Multiplication and Division</i>● <i>Area and Perimeter</i> |
| <i>In PE</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Dance and Football</i> |
| <i>In Computing</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Databases</i> |
| <i>In RSE</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Body Image</i>● <i>Funny Feelings</i>● <i>Emotional Changes</i> |
| <i>Science</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Living Things and Their Habitats</i> |
| <i>Latin</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Sentence practise and story translation</i> |
| <i>Music</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Ukeleles</i> |

Thank you for taking time to read this newsletter; we hope you have found the information useful. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on dickinson@shrcps.org/whitmore@shrcps.org Please note, our staff wellbeing policy states that we should not be responding to emails during evenings and weekends but we will get back to you as soon as possible during working hours.