

This term we will be travelling across the Atlantic and learning all about the main South American countries with a key focus on Rio, Brazil and the Amazon Rainforest.

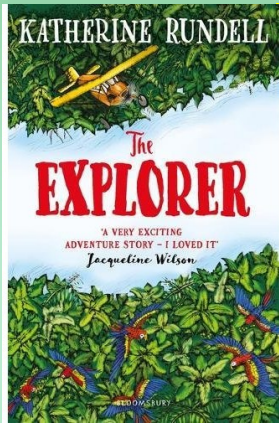


We will meet Christopher Columbus and see how his expeditions challenged the flat earth theory building upon our learning from term 2.

We will embrace the wonders of the Rio carnival while learning about its history and what it means for people today. As part of this we will share a unit in Music focusing on celebration and performance.

We will meet Henry Walter Bates and his contribution to science following his time in the Amazon rainforest.

## History and Geography



To promote our physical health we will be having athletics this term every Monday with Mr Steed, and badminton with Mrs Ruffy on Wednesdays.

## PE

# Expedition across the Atlantic

## Music

## PSHE

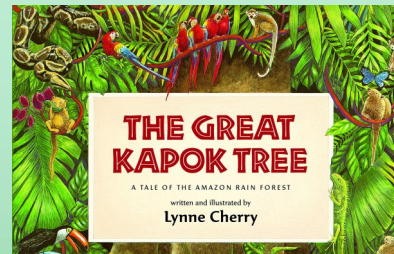
## English

We will continue to build up our reading skills and share a class novel this term that links nicely to the themes within this topic. We will be reading *The Explorer* as our class novel.

Our first unit will focus on speech and how Greta Thunberg's powerful speech had an impact on world leaders.

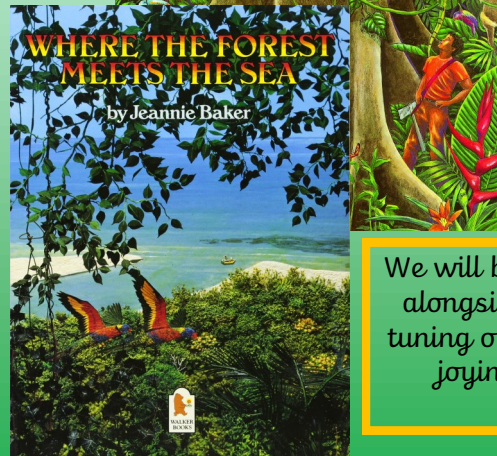
We will develop our skills in writing for a purpose this term and projects will include writing tour guides, explorer logs and explanation texts.

We will also be sharing *Where the Forest Meets the Sea* and reflecting on the impact of human activity on the natural world.



## Maths

In Maths this term we will be starting a unit on decimals and percentages whilst also revisiting key learning from the Autumn term to promote mastery of our number, place value and calculation skills.



We will be looking at the Great Kapok tree alongside our English learning and fine tuning our own narrative skills whilst enjoying this gorgeous picture book.

As we continue our learning on human growth and changes through PSHE we will take a further look into how to care for ourselves as our bodies change throughout puberty. We will talk about the challenges we may face and how to deal with them.

## Science

Our scientific learning this term will dig further into biology and we will consider how living things are adapted to the environments in which they live. This will allow us to explore the biomes within the rainforest and across South America while comparing with our British eco systems.

## Summer Term 1

## Year 5