



Torridon  
Primary School

### Reading

This half term, the children will revise all key reading skills. The children will review how to predict, retrieve, infer and summarise. They will learn how to answer a range of comprehension questions and will be given time during the week to read for pleasure.

### Writing

In writing, the children will be reading 'The Great Kapok Tree' by Lynne Cherry. The children will write a range of text types including narrative and a non-fiction newspaper report. They will continue to develop their use of verbs, adjectives and dialogue to help visualise characters, settings and to move the story on.

### Mathematics

This half term, we will be developing our knowledge of fractions. The children will develop their understanding of fractions as part of a whole. They will explore equivalent fractions. We will then focus on measurement, exploring mass and capacity using grams, kilograms, litres and millilitres.

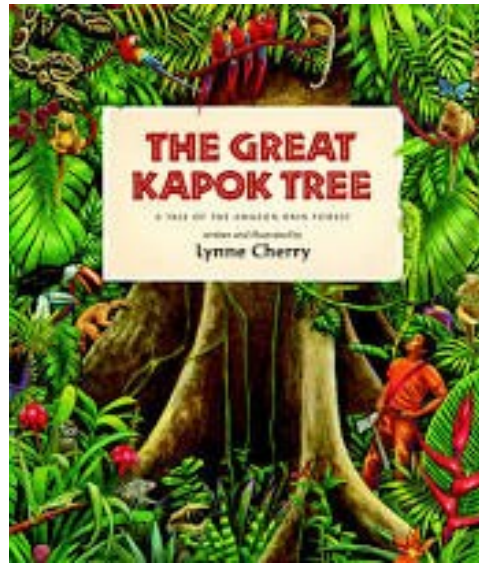
### Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Shally

Teaching Staff: Amy, Gwen, Shally

Support Staff: Chelsy-Love, Patricia, Samara and  
Zoe

## Remarkable Rainforests



### Supporting Your Child's Learning

Please support your child to complete their weekly Mathletics and Spag.com tasks which are set each Friday. We also expect children to read for between 20 and 30 minutes daily.

## Year Three

Spring 2 2023

### Science

In science this half term, we will be studying plants. This will include identifying the life cycle of a plant and exploring pollination. The children will be able to identify what a plant needs to survive. We will investigate how water travels through plants.

### Geography

In Geography, year 3 will learn about rainforests. They will discover the equator, tropics of cancer and Capricorn, the climate and the consequences of deforestation. Year 3 will be able to locate a rainforest on a map and explain the layers that make it up.

### PSHE

The children will consider the importance of exercise and how it helps your body to stay healthy. They also talk about their heart and lungs, discuss what they do and that they are very important. The children will talk about different types of drugs, the ones you take to make you better as well as other drugs. The children think about things, places and people that are dangerous and link this to strategies for keeping themselves safe.

## PE

Year 3 will be having P.E. on **Wednesday** and will be learning the skills necessary to play tennis. Dance lessons will continue on **Thursday**. Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on both of these days.

## Dance

In dance, this term we will explore "Stomp" - the musical production. We will use the body and ordinary objects such as brooms and newspaper to create rhythms and dance motifs.

## Music

The children will continue their deep learning on the ukulele. They will learn new chords C7 and G7 - our first 3 finger chord. The focus will be on longer songs with more changes, and the children will begin to play in smaller groups. There will be a focus on reading longer and more complex rhythm patterns, including mixed single quaver syncopation patterns (ti ta ti ta ta)

## French

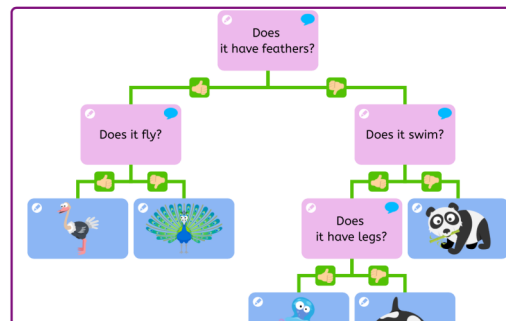
In French this half term, we will be focusing on learning 10 action verbs. This includes using positive and negative sentences. We will also continue counting in French.



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Your tree is now complete.



## Art

This term the children will be immersing themselves in the role of sculptor. We will be experimenting with a variety of different modelling materials and creating prototype sculptures. This year we will be entering the children's sculptures into the forth plinth schools sculpture competition which you can learn more about here: <https://www.london.gov.uk/programmes-strategies/arts-and-culture/current-culture-projects/fourth-plinth-rafalgar-square/fourth-plinth-schools-awards-2024>

## DT

In DT lessons this half term, will be learning about how objects are powered and identify the energy source. We will use everyday objects and circuits to recreate different energy sources.

## RE

In RE lessons this half term, children will learn about Sikhism. Year 3 will discuss what creation means, who Guru Nanak was, his teachings and learn about important Sikh celebrations.

## Computing

In computing lessons this half term, the children will learn about branching databases. They will use yes or no questions to build a quiz on j2e.com