## Longton Primary School Curriculum Outline Term: Spring 1 Class: Year 5

## Topic and other areas

**Topic: Amazon Adventure**

Key subject areas covered in this topic include: Geography, Science and D.T. In Geography, the focus is on features and locations of rainforests. Last term, we did a case study on Iceland and we loved doing it so much, so I thought this term we would do another learner-led research project. In Science, we will be looking at the life cycle of mammals, amphibians, birds and plants. We also be looking at how plants reproduce. In D.T, we will be practicing our sewing skills and knocking together the ultimate explorers belt.

**RE:** HINDUISM- Where can people find guidance how to live their lives? Investigate Hindu stories and festivals such as Prahlad, Holi and Diwali

**French**: Family, masculine and feminine nouns, revision and extension of knowledge of numbers- particular focus on spelling

**PE**: Dance and Invasion games skills practice

**PSHE: Jigsaw -** DREAMS AND GOALS

* When I grow up- my dream lifestyle
* Investigate jobs and careers
* My dream job and the steps I need to get there
* The dreams and goals of young people in other cultures
* How can we support each other?

*French and P.E will be taught by Mrs Fletcher on a Monday afternoon. PSHE and RE will be taught on a Tuesday afternoon, also by Mrs Fletcher.*

## Maths

Mathematics is taught for one hour every day. Topics this term include:

* Geometry (Angles)
* Geometry (shape, reflection and translation)
* Measurements (length, mass and capacity)
* Mental and written division
* Calculating with fractions

For a full breakdown of the Year 5 programme of study in these topics, please the national curriculum for KS2 mathematics.

In all topics, work will be differentiated so that it is both accessible yet challenging for all pupils.

## English

Reading skills sessions will take place daily for 30 minutes. Pupils will read, interpret, discuss, and analyse a range of different texts in a small group with the class teacher. Independent comprehensions will be completed to practise skills learnt.

GPS (grammar, punctuation and spelling) sessions will also be taught on a daily basis for 30 minutes. This term we are looking at complex sentences, demarcation for ambiguity and parenthesis.

English is taught for one hour every day. In writing sessions we’ll be using our theme of ‘Amazon Adventure’ to further our writing skills:

*Stories from Other Cultures*

We will be looking at a range of short-stories about rainforests, including: The Great Kapok Tree, The Shaman’s Apprentice and The Vanishing Rainforest. We will be using these stories and all of the knowledge we will gain through Topic sessions to write well-informed stories, descriptions and poems.

*Debating*

We will be delving into the controversial topic of deforestation and working on our ability to argue the pros and cons of the subject. We will be learning all the rules to hold a formal debate and all the language that goes along with it.