



Newlands Class Information
Church Walk CE Primary School
Summer 1 2026

Literacy

Our work this half term will focus on rainforests. We will start by writing non-chronological reports on rainforest animals, create persuasive texts on the impact of deforestation, leading into a debate. Daily spelling, punctuation and grammar sessions will take place, as will weekly guided reading and handwriting sessions.

Reading

Children will need to continue to change reading books when they come in to school in the mornings. This may be every day or every few days depending on the length of the book. **Please read and discuss books with your child as often as possible at home. Even fluent readers benefit from someone listening to them read. Please make sure reading records are updated regularly at home and are in school every day.**

Maths

Daily arithmetic sessions will help the children to develop their mental maths and arithmetic abilities.

Maths lessons will focus on fractions, decimals, mass and capacity. Children will have the opportunity to apply their learning in regular problem-solving activities.

Please continue to support your child at home with regular learning of times tables. Remember to use TT Rockstars and Purple Mash as additional learning resources at home.

Science

In science we will be finding out about living things and their habitats. We will look closely at animals in rainforest habitats, and we will also explore our local habitats, sorting and classifying the animals we find.

Computing

In computing, we will be building on learning from previous coding units. Children will learn to use selection, co-ordinates, looping, and variables. They will use these coding skills to create their own game.

P.E.

In games we will be developing tennis skills. In dance we will be refining movement and group composition skills.

P.E will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Please make sure your child has the following items in school every day, and that they are the correct size:

Black pumps, black shorts and red school P.E T shirt. Trainers for outdoor games are preferred.

Geography



Our geography work will focus on South America – particularly Brazil. We will find out about climates, biomes, weather, landscape, what it is like to live there, trade, tourism and sustainability. We will compare our findings to our locality.

Art

This half term in art we will be using different materials to create rainforest collages in the style of Rousseau.

Music

This half term, Newlands Class will all have ukulele lessons with the guitar teacher, Mr Duesbury. This is part of the curriculum music offer to give all children the experience of learning an instrument.

PSHE

PSHE this half term will focus on healthy lifestyles, including oral and dental care, a balanced lifestyle and medicines.

R.E

In R.E. this half term, we will be looking at rules and the importance of them. We will think about the life of Moses and his significance for Jews and Christians. We will explore the Ten Commandments and whether they are still relevant today. We will then look at some of the teachings of Jesus and the rules that he said were important.

French

In French we will continue to learn numbers to 100. We will explore names for the months in French and vocabulary linked to clothes and parts of the body.

Homework

Children will receive homework every Thursday. This might be in the homework book or on Purple Mash. **It must be handed in by the following Tuesday at the latest, to allow for marking. If returned after this, it may not be marked before the next piece of homework goes out.**

Spellings will go home every Monday or Tuesday- the test will usually be the following Monday.