# Year 4





The Amazon is not only the second langest river in the world after the Nile, but also the Amazon carries more water than the world's other 10 biggest rivers combined!

# South America

## English

We are going to begin this term by immersing ourselves in our new class text "The Explorer". We will use this story to create letters, persuasive adverts and story settings in the Amazon rainforest.

Later this term, we will write biographies about famous Amazon explorers and use our class text for instructional writing.
In our reading we will explore character thoughts and feelings and locate information in non-fiction texts.

### Computing

This term, children will use Scratch to create animation. We will also use our computational thinking skills to solve problems. This will help us to improve our decoding and logic skills to stop an Alien Invasion!

#### Mathematics

This term we will revise the four operations building on what we have previously learnt about number. Later this term, we will use visual models to calculate quantities of fractions.

# History/Geography

In Geography, we will learn about South America the countries, mountain ranges and rivers that make up the continent. We will also make links to the Amazon rainforest and the animals that inhabit it. Later in the term, we will learn about the Ancient Incan tribes that lived thousands of years ago.

#### Music

In Year 4, we will learn about Heitor Villa-Lobos who is one of the most famous Brazilian composers.

# RE

We will be learning about Hindu beliefs and Gods. Then we will begin to compare Buddhist and Christian beliefs.

#### Science

This term we will start our learning about Sound and how it is made. We will explore how sounds travel to our ears and how animals communicate.

Later in the term we will link our Science work to Maths by measuring the amount of rainfall in the Amazon rainforest and creating graphs. Evench

In our French lessons we will be learning the months of the year to be able to talk about our birthday.

#### Art/DT

Our Artwork and DT will link with South American sculptures so we will create Totem Poles. We will also link to the Incan tribal artwork which will help us to learn to weave.

#### PE

Children will be swimming for the first half term. We will continue with our skipping and learn badminton.