### **Geography - Rainforests**

What is different between a tropical and temperate forest?

**What is a tropical forest?** A tropical rainforest is a forest located between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn and experience a high level of rainfall.

**What is a temperate forest?** A temperate forest is a forest lying between the tropics and the polar regions and has a seasonal climate.

#### VOCABULARY

**Biome**-an area classified according to the species that live in that location **Biodiversity**— all the different kinds of life you'll find in one area **sustainability** - Sustainability consists of fulfilling the needs of current generations without affecting the needs of future generations

### Personal, Social, Health & Economic

### Education - Health & Well-being

How can we keep or have positive mental and physical health?

#### How can we stay healthy?

To be healthy we need to look after both our physical and mental health.

#### Who can help us stay healthy?

Services such as doctors and dentists can help us feel better and keep our bodies and minds healthy.

### VOCABULARY

**Hygiene:** the practice of keeping clean to stay healthy and prevent disease. **Illness:** a particular disease that can affect many people, or a particular sickness in an individual.

**Lifestyle:** the general way of life of a person or group, including typical jobs and activities, attitudes towards work and money, values, and the like.

Year 4 Summer 2 Topic Mat

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The learning you child will be doing in each subject this term is based on a key question.

The subsequent questions and vocabulary are some of the small steps they will take to achieve their answer.

Please discuss these with your child to help support and reinforce the work they are doing in class.

## **Science - Life Processes and Living Things**

How do living things in

tropical and temperate rainforests compare?

#### What are vertebrates?

*Vertebrates are animals with a backbone and there are 5 groups (mammal, bird, amphibian, fish, reptile).* 

### How can we classify plants?

*Plants can be classified in 4 groups: flowering plants, conifers, mosses and ferns.* 

#### VOCABULARY

**fern**: a plant with fronds, no flowers and reproduces using spores **moss**: a simple non-flowering plant that inhabits moist, shady sites **conifer**: a tree with needles which produces cones

### **Religious Education - Cornish Festivals**

How and why do people in Cornwall

mark significant events in community life?

What are the key festivals that are celebrated by Christians? In Christianity there are 2 key festivals (Easter and Christmas).

### What was the origin of the Christian Harvest Festival?

The Harvest Festival in churches we know of today was introduced by Rev Robert Stephen Hawker in Morwenstow in 1843 to give thanks to God for providing such plenty.

### VOCABULARY

**Festival:** a day or period of celebration, typically for religious reasons. **Landmarks:** an object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognised from a distance.

Sacred: connected with a god or dedicated to a religious purpose.