**Knowledge Organiser – Summer 2024**

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| **Subject** | **Topic Title** | **Phase** |
| Geography | The Rainforest | Year 3/4 |

 **Key Vocabulary What do I need to know?**

**I need to know:**

* **The human and physical geography of a region of South America.**
* **Aspects of physical geography, including; climate zones and biomes.**
* **How to locate rainforests on a map using knowledge of continents.**
* **I can identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones.**
* **The different layers that make up a rainforest.**
* **How the rainforest has an impact on us and others around the world.**

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| **Key Vocabulary** | **Definition** |
| Deforestation | The action of clearing a wide area of trees. |
| Climate | The weather conditions prevailing in an area in general or over a long period. |
| Biome | A large naturally occurring community of flora and fauna occupying a major habitat, e.g. forest or tundra. |
| Flora | The *plants* of a particular region or habitat. |
| Fauna | The *animals* of a particular region or habitat. |
| Tropics | The region of. Earth's surface that is closest to the Equator is called the tropics. |
| Equator | An imaginary line that is drawn around the middle of the Earth to divide it into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. |



**By the end of this topic, I will be able to:**

* **Compare a region of South America with our local area.**
* **Locate rainforests on a map.**
* **Describe the layers of a rainforest.**
* **Describe a location using key vocabulary.**
* **Identify the impact that the rainforest has on us.**

**Key images / maps**