

Theme: The Maya

History

History is our topic driver this term and we will be studying a non-European civilisation, the Mayans.

We will describe the characteristic features of their past, including ideas, beliefs, attitudes and experiences of men, women and children.

We will question how they were able to rise, their achievements and look at factors to their demise. We will also compare what was happening there with other cultures we have looked at.

Maths

Measuring accurately
Converting between measurements, using our knowledge of place value and multiplication.
Applying addition and subtraction skills

Music:

The music focus for this half term is beat. We will be listening to music featuring bells and clocks to help us understand rhythm and syncopation, as well as singing and playing bell patterns and creating our own descriptive music.

Design Technology

Electrical systems: We will be applying our knowledge of electricity to create a poster.

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English

Reports and Information Texts –
Paragraphing – Fronted adverbials-
Technical language

How speech is recorded.

Narrative and description

Description of characters from our class text.

Art

Drawing – Make your voice heard. We will use the art of Ancient Maya as inspiration for our own work.

Science

Electricity and circuits

We will be looking at sources of electricity including identifying renewable and non-renewable sources. Children will identify where equipment gets its power, either mains or battery and how we can use electricity safely.

We will then be planning and making our own working circuits with various components and representing them using symbols in circuit diagrams. We will learn how conductors and insulators can make switches and dimmer switches.

We will be planning and conducting our own experiments: designing fair tests, making predictions, observing and measuring, using tables/ graphs to present results, reaching conclusions.

P.E.

Football and various control skills.
Outdoor Adventurous Activities and team work.

Non - Topic

English –

Fiction texts: exploring narrative structure, passage of time; key features of a range of story genres.

Sentence construction: using conjunctions; use of punctuation; sentence openers.

Spelling – patterns/ prefixes and suffixes and plurals.

Handwriting: Fluent joined style

Reading –

The Jaguar Stones

Maths–

Roman Numerals to 100

Identify and round decimals

Applying addition, subtraction and multiplication skills to problems.

Recognising division facts from multiplication.

Applying place value skills to multiplication.

Learning all times tables to 12 x 12.

PHSE – Being Me and Celebrating Differences

R.E. – Buddhism: Is it possible for everyone to be happy?

MFL French:

This term we will be revising days of the week, months of the year, numbers and colours as well as learning new vocabulary relating to parts of the body.

Computing

E-Safety, staying safe as we use the internet.
We will be using spreadsheets to collate information, using formulas in cells and applying their use.