

French

The children will broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words that are introduced into familiar written material. They will use adjectives to describe their house and the rooms within it.

Art

The children will work to improve their mastery of art and design using pencil techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials.

PE

The children in Y5/6 will develop skills and tactics for net and wall games, such as tennis. They will also continue to enhance their knowledge and skills within the many athletic disciplines.

Physical, Social, Emotional Health and Well Being

The topic this term is Relationships that includes looking after their mental health. Children will identify when people may be experiencing feelings associated with loss and recognise when people are trying to gain power or control.

History

In history, your child will be learning about the places where the Mayans were located along with their geographical context. The children will also learn about and be able to explain how Mayan beliefs influenced their culture and way of life. They will understand the economic practices of the Mayans and be able to understand the hierarchy within their society.

What we are learning:

The topic for this half term is 'Treasure Seekers'. We will be looking at who the Mayans were and where they lived. The children will compare events from the Mayan civilisation with those in Britain at that time and with the Ancient Egyptian and Greek civilisations.

Key concepts:

The understanding of historical terms such as BC / AD (also known as BCE / CE) and century. To make connections across historical periods.

Treasure Seekers

Upper Key Stage 2

If the Maya were so civilised, why then did they carry out human sacrifice?

Maths:

In Year 5/6, the children will explore various mathematical concepts, including statistics, properties of shapes and position & direction. Through engaging activities and practical exercises, they will calculate angles, learn to translate and reflect shapes and develop the skills to read and interpret line graphs.

These hands-on experiences will enhance their mathematical understanding and promote problem-solving abilities. We aim to ensure every child gains confidence and proficiency in these areas.

Music

We are thrilled to offer enriching ukelele sessions led by our talented music specialist. These sessions are designed to foster a love for music, enhance rhythmic skills and develop musical creativity in children.

English

In English, your child will be reading fiction books that contain historical facts - 'Middleworld' and 'The Hero Twins'. These books are based on the history of the Mayans. The children will complete reading comprehensions based on vocabulary, retrieval and inference. They will then publish an independent piece of writing describing a setting from that time period.

Home Learning Opportunities:

Home reading is essential to develop your child's fluency. Please encourage your child to take part in the 10 minutes a day reading challenge.

Year 6 will be completing their SATs w.c. 12th May 2025. The children will continue to be set homework and they have their flash cards. Thank you for your continued support.

Computing

Year 5 children will explore Stop Motion animation using iMotion and delve into Augmented Reality with Halo AR, enhancing their creativity and technological skills.

Year 6: Children will engage in Extended Data Handling using Numbers and develop their multimedia skills through various applications, fostering a comprehensive understanding of digital tools.