

English

In English this half term, we will be immersing the children in a narrative called, "Rainplayer" which is set in the Mayan culture. Throughout the half term, children will engage in a variety of drama in order to deeply absorb them in the story. This will lead to writing instructions, a letter, a non-chronological report and biographies/autobiographies. Within this, children will focus on Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation relating to each text type, as well as Alan Peat sentence types to improve their writing.

Alongside this, there will be a huge focus on Reading as we continue our Steps to Read programme, readying the children for their move to Key Stage 3. As well as reading in school every day, we will be expecting the children to continue to read at home at least 4 nights a week as this will encourage them to continue to practise and develop their skills in preparation for high school.

R.E/PSHE

What happens to us when we die?

Throughout our RE topic this half term, we will be looking at coping with loss and change and how this relates to beliefs in different religions.

The children will also look at changes within themselves and what to expect during puberty and what a healthy relationship looks like.

Science:

Our Science topic this half term will focus on the classification and adaptation of animals. The children will learn about different habitats and attributes which help animals to adapt to different environments. Children will sort animals using various criterion and will also link their learning to our narrative immersion text.

History: Ancient Maya

Throughout our topic there will be a big focus on chronology. Children will order a timeline of ancient civilisations, before completing a focused study of, 'The Ancient Mayan Civilisation'. We will be exploring the question: 'Who were the Mayans and what have we learnt from them?' Throughout this topic we will develop our Art and Computing skills whilst developing an in-depth knowledge of this time period. This will be studied further throughout our narrative immersion. Children will be creating their own questions and carrying out independent research.



Year 6 Home/School Sheet

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Art:

This half term, we will be studying the artwork of The Garcia Sisters, linking to our History topic, as their inspiration comes from Mayan patterns and designs. The children will experiment with different textures and arrangements, aiming to create a final collage piece in the style of The Garcia Sisters.

**Remember a healthy snack for
playtime and reading at home should
be done at least 4 times a week.**

Maths

We will be focussing on problem solving in Maths this half term, looking at applying all the skills the children have developed throughout the year to a variety of puzzles and problems. The children will be revising previously taught methods such as written methods, ordering skills and comparison skills. In addition to this, Children will focus on using estimating to support their calculations. We will also be completing weekly arithmetic challenges. This is an excellent way of us continually addressing all areas of the curriculum in preparation for their move into high school. As always, times tables are a big focus as they prove to be the basis to children's success in most areas.

ICT: 3D modelling:

Children will develop their knowledge and understanding of using a computer to produce 3D models. They will familiarise themselves with working in a 3D space, including combining 3D objects to make a house. Finally, children will examine the need to group 3D objects, then go on to plan, develop, and evaluate their own 3D model of a photo frame.

PE:

Year 6 PE is every Thursday.

We will be focussing on athletics skills this half term in the run-up to our final sports day at Leamington.