

## ENGLISH

Our key text linked to our topic is called **Middeworld** by J & P Voelkel. Through this book, we will gain valuable insight into the life of the Ancient Mayan Civilisation. Other **reading** will include stories and non-fiction books about the Mayans, as well as the famous creation story of the Hero Twins. *Genres* of writing covered this term will be: biographies, autobiographies, newspaper reports, short descriptions and short stories. Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar will also be linked to our overall reading and writing activities.

**MATHS** - We will construct timelines about the Maya and learn the currency they used for trading. All children will need to continue to practise their times tables to help them calculate quickly and efficiently, so time spent at home revising these would be really helpful. In class, we will continue to revise the language and methodology needed to understand various mathematical concepts and calculations. This term, we will focus on numbers to 10 million through place value, using and applying all four operations, solve associated fractions calculations and unit conversions. Problem solving activities will take place regularly.

## ICT

Unit 1 - We Are APP Planners

We will plan the creation of a mobile app which will focus on using computer networks.

## ART/DT/MUSIC

We will create a Mayan temple using sugar cubes and design a Mayan trading board game. We will also drink spicy hot chocolate in traditional Mayan style. In music our unit is focused around one song: Happy, a pop song by Pharrell Williams.

AUTUMN TERM 2019

TOPIC

# Explore the Maya!



YEAR 6 - JAGUARS

## PE -

This term, we will be developing our skills in hockey, netball as well as gymnastics and striking games. This will be mostly outdoors, so please ensure children have suitable clothing and footwear. Please remember to bring your kit in for your PE days on Thursday and Friday.

## HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY

Our new topic will focus on looking at sources of historical evidence to prove the existence of the Maya. We will look at their cultures, traditions and beliefs which shaped their society. We will also locate the Maya area on maps, compare their location to ours and look at how they used the land to sustain themselves as a people.

## PSHCE

We will learn about Resolving Conflict and Respect for Others. We will also look at Moral Values and Positivity.

## RE

We will explore the question: What is a church? We will understand that churches are buildings, but also communities of people.

## SCIENCE

In **Science**, our unit called Light up your World will focus on how we are able to see, shadows and how light travels. We will also be making our own periscopes! Our following unit called Everything Changes will explore the nature of living things and how they adapt to their environments.