

Maths Year 5 will be learning all about decimals and percentages where they will be learning to round beyond the decimal point, before looking at the perimeter and area of various shapes.

We will also continue to strengthen our reasoning and problem-solving skills!

English We are so excited that World Book Week is back! During this time, we will be having a whole school focus on the book, 'The Bridges' by Tom Percival.

Our guided reading book is 'Oh, Maya Gods' by Maz Evans. From this, we will be writing diary entries based on one of the main characters, where there will be a focus on informality!

History Our topic this half term is driven by history – The Ancient Maya – an ancient civilisation who lived in the rainforests of modern-day Mexico and Central America. The children will be looking at where Maya people are today, what the ancient occupations were, and how historians have managed to find so much about the ancient Maya people.

We will then compare what we know to our prior learning of the Anglo-Saxons.

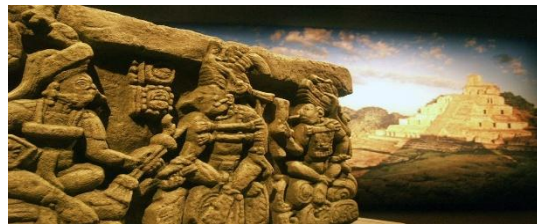
French We are very lucky to have Mrs Johnston back to help us with our French, learning all about Family and Friends!

PE On Wednesdays, our indoor PE will be focused on ancient Maya dancing!

On Thursdays, we will be doing athletics outside practising a whole range of skills, including endurance running, jumping, and throwing.

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How did Maya life compare with what was happening in Britain at the same time?



Science This term, the children will be looking at Forces. By the end of the unit they will be able to explain that unsupported objects fall towards due to the gravity acting between the object and the Earth. We will also explore other forces!

Not only this, we look forward to our trip to the Science Centre!

Art/DT/Music In art, Y5 will be using clay to create their own ancient Maya artefacts. They will be looking at the carving skills and varied relief required to place their hieroglyphic design!

We will continue our stitched mountain animals with Mrs Shepherd on a Thursday afternoon!

In music, we will look at, 'The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air' with a focus on tempo and rhythm. We will then be using recorder and glockenspiels to have a go at playing and improvising the piece!

RE The children will focus on Christianity with our enquiry question, 'What did Jesus do to save human beings?' The children will create explanations about how Jesus' Salvation links to the ways in which Christians celebrate Easter.

PSHE/Computing Our PSHE theme is on 'Rights and Respect'. Here, we will be having open discussions about how we show respect towards something or someone and why this is so important.

In computing, the children will be connecting Crumbles – microcontroller boards – to programme circuits that turn bulbs on, flash different colours, and start a motor!