

Year 5/6 Autumn Curriculum Letter



Topic

Our whole school topic for the Autumn term is 'A Place and a Time!'

Year 5/6 will be exploring the life of the Mayans and exploring artefacts to give us clues to their lifestyle. After half term, we will be moving on to learn about South America in our geography lessons. We will learn about the physical and human features of various locations within the continent.



PE

In Autumn 1, we will have P.E. on a Thursday (Dance with Mrs Rich) and on a Friday which will be netball. In Autumn 2, we will be doing hockey on a Friday and gymnastics on a Tuesday with Sporting Starting. Please ensure you have full school PE kit in school for being outside in all weathers- including sensible footwear and a tracksuit to keep you warm!



French



In French we will be learning about Les portraits and Ma famille.

RE/PSHCE



In RE, we will be discussing why some people think God exists and why people go to places of worship.

In PSHCE, we shall be learning about relationships and keeping myself safe.



Science

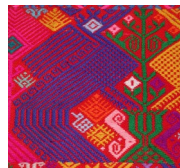
In the Autumn term, we will be learning about Electricity and after half term we will move on to learn about Living things and their habitats. We will be using different scientific skills and carrying out investigations to help our understanding.



Art/DI

This term in DT, we will be doing some cooking. We will be researching recipes linked to the Mayans and planning a three course meal!

After half term, in Art, we will be learning about Mayan weaving. We will be looking at colours and patterns and designing out own weaving pattern.



Literacy

Throughout the Autumn term we shall explore a range of text types including stories in historical settings, report writing, poetry, horror and some diary writing. We will also develop lots of SPaG skills throughout each lesson.



Homework

Spellings and Mental Maths will be handed out every Friday and will be tested the following Friday. Extended tasks will be handed out half termly and a clear date for hand in will be at the top. Children will also receive a Maths and Reading Comprehension each week. **This will be handed out on a Friday and expected in on a Wednesday. Children should also read every day at home.**



Numeracy

We will work on our calculating skills (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) with a focus on written methods, place value, 2D/3D shape, Money, Measures and Telling the time with plenty of problem solving!



Music

We shall be learning to play a musical instrument with Mrs Rhodes whilst learning to read music. A letter will come home to sign about our instruments.

