



## CLASS 6 LEARNING OVERVIEW - Spring 20/21



| English  | Maths   | Topic: <u>THE MAYA / CHOCOLATE</u>   | Other Curriculum Areas   | What You Can Do To Help Your Child This Term  |
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| <p><u>Reading:</u> Our class text this term will be 'Middleworld which is based around our Maya topic, it is the story of a boy his companions who go on an adventure through historical Maya settlements. We will also have a focus on reading non-fiction texts such as articles, reports and letters. We will continue to build on the skills required in the reading assessments we will complete by using our inference and deduction skills to respond with increasing detail to our reading,</p> <p><u>Writing:</u> Again, there will be a focus on shaping non-fiction texts this term. We will be looking at biography and autobiography - focusing on famous explorers, we will write and debate about deforestation and we will look at adverts and instructions for all things chocolate!</p> <p><u>SPaG:</u> It is important that the children use accurate and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar in their work as well as learning new rules and patterns for when various devices are used.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Advance Trip Notification</u></b><br/><b>RESIDENTIAL - MAY '21</b></p> | <p>The children will continue their weekly practice of number and arithmetic skills throughout the term. However, it has been identified that problem solving and reasoning is the area that requires the most attention in maths this term. We will put all of the skills that we develop in maths into practice when applying them to a range of worded problems in different contexts.</p> <p>Decimal numbers, percentages and their fractional equivalents will be an important part of our first half term back in the spring. The children need to be confident in converting between all three of these. Furthermore, they should be demonstrating an ability to calculate efficiently with numbers represented in these ways.</p> <p>Finally, we will move on to looking at some algebra in the second half term, the children will learn how to recognise a pattern within a set of numbers and then apply a rule to this pattern. Additionally they will then learn to use this rule to reach a range of answers.</p> | <p>The children will be looking at all things Mayan before moving on to look at chocolate in great depth.</p> <p><u>History</u> - The Mayan empire and how it came to an end.</p> <p><u>Geography</u> - Locating significant places on a map. We will examine how Maya farmers used the land to cultivate and survive.</p> <p><u>Art</u> - Children will look at traditional artwork, including Maya mirrors, sculptures and produce some authentic molas.</p> <p><u>DT</u> - The children will be designing and making packaging for their very own chocolate bar.</p> <p><u>Music</u> - Traditional South-American music and its influences live on in today's music.</p> <p><u>Computing</u> - We will look at how to use the internet for safe and accurate research and how to collate the information we find into an accessible and organised bank.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">As always, if anyone has any questions or queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact me. Likewise if any parents feel they have an expertise knowledge or particular interest in any aspect of what we are covering I would love to hear from you.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mr Lole</p> </div> | <p><u>Science</u> - The main focus of the curriculum in our science lessons this half term will be light. We will look at how light travels. Then we will move on to looking at the structure of the eye, how we see things and reflections. Finally, we will look at how and why we see colour and how light ad shadows work.</p> <p><u>PE</u> - The children will have games and PE lessons throughout the term taught by myself and Mr North.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>PE will be on Thursday afternoons. Please ensure that the children have a full PE kit available.</b></p> <p><u>RE</u> - The children will look at 2 units from the RE curriculum this term, following on from the Essex Approved Scheme of Work that they have begun to learn from.</p> <p><u>MFL</u> - Children will continue to develop their language in French this year; written, aural and oral skills.</p> | <p>There will be ongoing assessments throughout the Spring and Summer terms, the children should be well used to these by now and know how they work.</p> <p>The children should practice and learn their times tables fully and develop their mental maths skills. Furthermore, it is important that the children read each night and are regularly questioned on what they've read to help improve their comprehension.</p> <p>The revision guides that everyone has been provided with should now be being used regularly, the children have all identified areas they feel they need to work on and can begin to look at these to keep things fresh in their minds.</p> <p>Finally, children should be encouraged to complete their homework fully and hand it in on time on a weekly basis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Homework / Spellings</u></p> <p>The children will have a menu with homework items to choose from. It is expected that one piece will be handed in weekly. Spellings tested weekly.</p> |

