

Science

Forces

Year 5 will learn about the effects of gravity, friction, air and water resistance as well as build models to explore the ways in which pulleys, levers and gears work!

Year 5 - Summer 1

Mayans



Humanities

Mayans

This term, Year 5 will find out about Mesoamerica, the land of the ancient Maya, and explore this fascinating civilisation together. They will find out about where the Maya lived, what their lives were like, and how their society was organised, as well as investigating the evidence they left behind and uncovering some Mayan mysteries.

English

In English, we focusing on the text 'The great Kapok Tree'. They will be broaden their subject knowledge and looking at the language surrounding the Amazon rainforest.

In reading, we will be looking at various non fiction texts about the Amazon Rainforest and deforestation.

Key dates for your diary

Library Visit

PE

In PE, the children will be taking part in swimming lessons and continuing with ball games.

Art and Design Technology

In Art, the children will be finding out the ruins of the Bonampak temple in Mexico. Inside were the Bonampak murals, painted around the year 800. The children will explore and recreate these beautiful murals for themselves, looking at the images to see what they can found out about the Maya from this unique artwork.

In Design Technology, the children will be creating their own Mayan Temple.

Computing

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In computing, they will be using the iPad to research the Maya's and their way of life. They will be using Excel to input data to create graphs and charts. They will also be using formulas to search databases.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and

Cultural (SMSC, RE, PSHE)

In PSHE, the children will look at why the Spanish invaded the Mayan lands in the 16th century and the impact this had on the Maya. They will consider what the positive and negative effects of this were and debate whether they think the Spanish were right to invade and conquer the Maya.

In Re, they will be introduced to Muhammad and learn about his personality, his life and his legacy. This lessons take a detailed look at the life of Muhammad and explores why he is such an important figure in Islam, both in terms of the Qur'an and his own personal example.

Maths

This term, we are looking be looking at fractions and decimals as well as problem solving and reasoning.