

Year 5 will be focusing this half term on further developing our writing skills in a range of fiction and non-fiction genres. We will be reading a number of traditional Mayan themed tales such as The Great Kapok Tree, Rain Player and The Chocolate Tree.

English

As writers, we will be studying Mayan myths and having a go at writing our own versions. In addition to this, Year 5 will be writing recounts in role as an explorer encountering an ancient Maya discovery. We will also be thinking about how we can write for specific audiences to describe Maya food, games and inventions.

Music

This half term we will be learning to play the recorder and read musical notation. We will also be developing our skills as musical performers.

RE

Throughout this term, children will be investigating the Muslim faith and finding out what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today.

History

As historians, Year 5 will be exploring where and when the remains of the Mayan civilisation were discovered and how it developed over time. We will also find out about the city states of the Maya and how society was organised. Year 5 will also investigate the religious beliefs of the Mayans and comparing everyday life to our own. Children will also identify Mayan writing and look at the Mayan calendar. To finish our topic, we will look at evidence to identify reasons for the decline of the Mayan civilisation.



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PE

Pupils will be developing their skills as athletes. We will also be playing cricket, rounders and tennis. **PE will be on a Wednesday and a Friday.**

French

The children will continue to develop their French skills by applying their knowledge in conversation with their peers. Children will also be learning about food.

Maths

This term we will be revisiting the four operations and developing our problem solving skills. We will also further investigate square and cube numbers. In addition to this we will be consolidating our knowledge of rounding numbers and of using columnar addition and subtraction. We will also be developing our knowledge of fractions and decimals by investigating the relationship with percentages. Measure will also be revisited this term, where, we will build on our knowledge by comparing metric to imperial measures and finally we will consolidate and revise all Year 5 learning associated with geometry to include work on angles, translations and shape.

As well as children's half termly home learning, we expect children to be reading daily, as well as practising times tables in preparation of weekly tests and continuing to revise spellings. Home Learning presentation day will be on Thursday 27th June 2019.
