



Dear Parents,

Welcome back, we hope you have all had a wonderful half term!

We have PE every Friday, please ensure your child has their PE kit in school with every item labelled.

We also have swimming this half term on Tuesday afternoon so please ensure children come into school in their PE Kit and bring their swimming stuff.

Homework:

Reading: Every day for 20 minutes

Maths: Set on Monday, due on Monday - CGP Revision Guide

Spelling: Set on Friday, due the following Friday

TT Rockstars: 20 minutes logged every week

Topic Homework: this is attached to this newsletter, please read the instructions.

As always, if you have any concerns or issues, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Cartwright and Miss Stringer

OUR DRIVING QUESTION

How can we as historians understand what life was like for the Mayans?

AS WRITERS we take inspiration from our class text 'Oh Maya Gods' by Maz Evans to create setting descriptions based on Mayan Temples, poetry describing the vibrant rainforests and persuasive writing.

AS HISTORIANS we will be looking at how the Mayans lived, what they believed in, how they were ruled and what their achievements were. We will use our knowledge to curate a museum of Mayan art and artifacts.

AS MATHEMATICIANS we will be working on multiplication and division followed by fractions.

AS CITIZENS (PSHCE/RE) we will be studying Christianity. In PSHE we will be thinking about our feelings and those of others, whilst maintaining respectful friendships.

AS ARTISTS we will be looking at the ancient Mayan weaving techniques and creating our own textile art.

AS SCIENTISTS we are going to be studying the Earth and the Solar system. We will be looking at the different scientists who investigated what the Earth and planets looked like in the past and the types of evidence they used.

AS COMPUTER SCIENTISTS we will be improving our programming and coding skills.

AS ATHLETES we will be delving into the world of Gymnastics, mastering floor movements and shapes as well as using the apparatus in the Sports Hall.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- PE every Friday. Please send your child to school **with** their P.E kit in their bag
- Please make sure your child has all of the stationery equipment they need.

AS MUSICIANS we will be learning how to sing a sea shanty alongside body percussion.

IN FRENCH we will be learning how to say the date in French.

MARVELLOUS MAYANS

**WHAT SEPARATES THE MAYANS FROM
OTHER CIVILISATIONS?**

Termly homework

Please choose at least two of these projects to complete at home and bring into school to display.

Mayan Homework Activity Challenge

Here are a selection of activities to complete at home throughout the term.

Please complete a minimum of three activities and send in a photo or short video to show us what you've completed.

A copy of this will be added to the class Google Classroom.

	Tricky	Make a model of a Mayan house	Design and make a Mayan pyramid	Create a song based on the Mayans
	Moderate	Draw 3 Mayan hieroglyphs and write down what they mean Challenge: can you write a Mayan sentence	Create your own Mayan god	Create a dessert with chocolate
	Moderate	The Maya studied the stars. Google and download "Stellarium" and use it to research 3 different constellations	The Maya farmed maize... Cook something with sweetcorn in it!	Listen to some Ancient Mayan music on youtube. Note down what instruments you can hear
	Easy	Research different Mayan pyramids across Central America and create a mini fact-file.	Complete some Mayan maths using the worksheet on Google Classroom.	Sketch a Mayan artefact