

**What modes of transport have helped us to explore the wider world?
Who made this possible?**

Academic:

This half term we are starting to learn about the Mayan society. We will find out where the Maya lived and the significant events which occurred in their time. We will look at the Maya city states and what happened to these. We will also learn about the Maya inventions and see how many of these are still in use today. Finally we will compare this ancient civilisation with the Anglo Saxons in Britain.

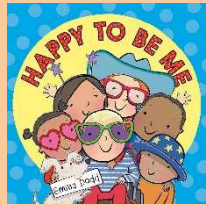


In science we are going to learn about Space. We will learn about the solar system, the planets, modelling and the motion of the Earth. We will also look at space travel.

We will start the terms literacy with extended third party narratives focusing on adventure stories. We will develop the settings and the character using noun phrases, similes, personification and different sentence structures to create suspense. We will then move on to our second unit of Explanatory texts.

Maths will consist of ratio, algebra and decimals for year 6 with multiplication and division, fractions and decimals for year 5. We will also continue with our daily tough ten questions.

Character:



Our character education links very closely with PSHE where we will have lessons on Happy being me, respecting differences and tolerance for others.

In addition, we will use our character virtues as play leaders working with the younger children in school, lunch helpers and of course House Captains and deputies.

We will continue to look out for children who regularly display their character virtues for certificates in our celebration assemblies.

Community:

Within our community we are lucky enough to have local places to visit which will hopefully inspire us to be more environmentally friendly.

We will continue to have visits from Rev. Paul in assemblies once a fortnight.

For MFL, we will dipping into Spanish as this is sometimes an option at Secondary school. This will also link with our topic on Mexico and the Mayans.



Digital and Innovation:



As usual, our chrome books will play an important role this term as we will use them for SATs revision work, Times Table Rockstars and to research our topics. We will also use them for our Accelerated Reader checks and to record many aspects of our learning.

In DT we will design a Day of the Dead mask and make these using paper mache. They will then be colourfully decorated in the style of the Mexicans.

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