English

In English this half term, we will be immersing the children in a narrative called, "Rainplayer" which is set in the Mayan culture. Throughout the half term, children will engage in a variety of drama in order to deeply absorb them in the story. This will lead to writing instructions, a letter and a non-chronological report. Within this, children will focus on Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation relating to each text type, as well as Alan Peat sentence types to improve their writing.

Alongside this, there will be a huge focus on Reading and we have a dedicated reading programme we are following, which will allow the children a chance to analyse and summarise a range of texts deeper.

As well as reading in school every day, we will be expecting the children to continue to read at home at least 4 nights a week as this will encourage them to continue to practise and develop their skills in preparation for high school.

R.E/PSHE

Why is religion important to so many people?:

Throughout our RE topic this half term, we will be researching the major world religions: Buddhism, Hinduism, Sikhism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam. The children will complete presentations to share their knowledge about each of the religions.

Science:

Our Science topic this half term will focus on the classification and adaptation of animals. The children will learn about different habitats and attributes which help animals to adapt to different environments. Children will sort animals using various criterion and will also link their learning to our narrative immersion

History: Ancient Civilisations

Throughout our topic there will be a big focus on chronology. Children will order a timeline of ancient civilisations, before completing a focused study of, 'The Ancient Mayan Civilisation'. We will be exploring the question; 'Who were the Mayans and what have we learnt from them?'

Throughout this topic we will develop our Art and Computing skills whilst developing an in-depth knowledge of this time period. This will be studied further throughout our narrative immersion. Children will be creating their own questions and carrying out independent research.



Year 6 Home/School Sheet

Summer 2

<u>Art:</u>

We will have a main focus on exploring ceramics of the Ancient Mayans. This will include Pottery, Jewellery and musical instruments. Children will learn the skills to create their own pot and incorporate Mayan patterns. Children will then choose to create a piece of their choice, which they will research, design, make and

Music

Children will look at copying rhythm and identifying instruments used as well as composing.

Maths

We will be focussing on problem solving in Maths this half term, looking at applying all the skills the children have developed throughout the year to a variety of puzzles and problems. The children will be revising previously taught methods such as written methods, ordering skills and comparison skills.

We will also be completing arithmetic three times weekly. This is an excellent way of us continually addressing all areas of the curriculum in preparation for their move into high school.

As always, times tables are a big focus as they prove to be the basis to children's success in most areas.

Children will also be extending their knowledge of decimals within their work and using

Digital Communication and the Web.

Throughout our ICT topic, we will be carrying out research to support our History Topic of Ancient Civilisations. Children will be carrying out independent research and creating formal presentations, whilst learning how to navigate the web efficiently and safely. We will be revisiting issues surrounding E-safety and safe practice on communication devises.

<u>PE:</u> Year 6 PE is every Wednesday

Remember a healthy snack for playtime and reading at home should be done at least 4 times a week.