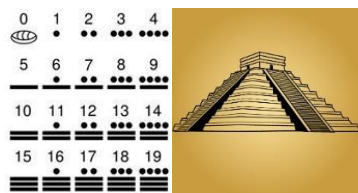


Year 5/6 Autumn Term

Topic (History/ Geography Link)

Our topic this half term is the Maya Civilisation of Central America, of 1200 – 2000 years ago, and their success and significance as a civilisation.



After half term, our topic will be a science-based unit on Adaptation and Evolution. Our trip will be to Marwell Zoo on Monday 13th November, information letter to follow shortly.



Science

We will be starting with a unit on Electricity, looking at creating circuits, followed by a unit on Adaptation and Evolution.

PE/Games

Our indoor PE is on a Thursday (both Years) and our outdoor games is on a Monday for Year 5 and Friday for Year 6 - invasion games. Please ensure proper PE kit is in

school on both days (including warmer outdoor layers for colder weather)

English

We are looking at significant authors and adventure stories, looking at how authors choose great vocabulary to achieve exciting and descriptive stories. We will also be using Literacy Shed film clips as stimulus for quality writing. We are also revising our knowledge of grammar, spelling and punctuation. We are reading 'Beetle Boy' by M G Leonard, as a class read to all Year 5/6.

Maths

We will consolidate our knowledge of number and place value, including reading, writing and ordering numbers to 1 million and checking our knowledge of number facts. We will also revise the four number operations (+, -, x, ÷) and how to apply these in word problems.

Music

This half term we are studying a unit called 'Our Community' where we will be learning about the musical term Ostinato, using chime bars, writing lyrics, beating time in 2, 3 and 4, and performing body percussion. We will also be learning new songs to sing in Big Sing and as a phase group. We will also listen to a musical concert by visiting Hampshire Music Service musicians.

ICT

After half term, we will be doing Stop-motion animation linked to our evolution topic.

PSHC

Our new PSHC programme in school is called 'Jigsaw' and we will start by thinking about 'Being me in my world'.

French

Continuing with our 'Language Angel's' programme, Year 5/6 will be learning vocabulary to explain facts 'All about me', including how old we are, numbers 1 to 20, 'My name is..', 'Where do you live?' and Nationality.

Dates

Parent Information Evening: Wed 20th Sept: 3.30pm Year 5 in classes, followed by 4.15pm Year 6 parents in the hall.

Thurs 12th Oct: Harvest Service in Church

Mon 13th Nov: Marwell Zoo visit

Wed 6th/ Thurs 7th Dec: Reports and Parents evening 3.30pm – 6.30pm

Mon 18th Dec: 2.15pm Exit Point and 2.45pm Christmas Big Sing

From the Year 5/6 Team:

Mrs Mayall, Mr Green, Miss Gibaud, Mrs Pollitt