

YEAR GROUP: Year 5

DATE: Summer 2017

TIME ALLOCATION: 1 term

TEACHERS: L.Hicks and E .Coombes

Literacy:

As communicators, we will be developing our ability to write a range of different text types, including instruction writing, mystery stories and persuasive writing. We will have the opportunity to write at length in these genres, with a focus on using the appropriate features. We will also be studying film narrative, using a short film as a starting point.

Grammar: Speech punctuation, cohesion within paragraphs, use of commas and rhetorical questions.

Key Text: *The Secret Seven* by Enid Blyton and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl

Maths:

As Mathematicians, we will be developing our knowledge of properties of shape, multiplication, division, addition and subtraction mental and written methods, fractions, decimals, and different types of measurement. We will be applying our maths knowledge to solving problems and developing our reasoning skills.

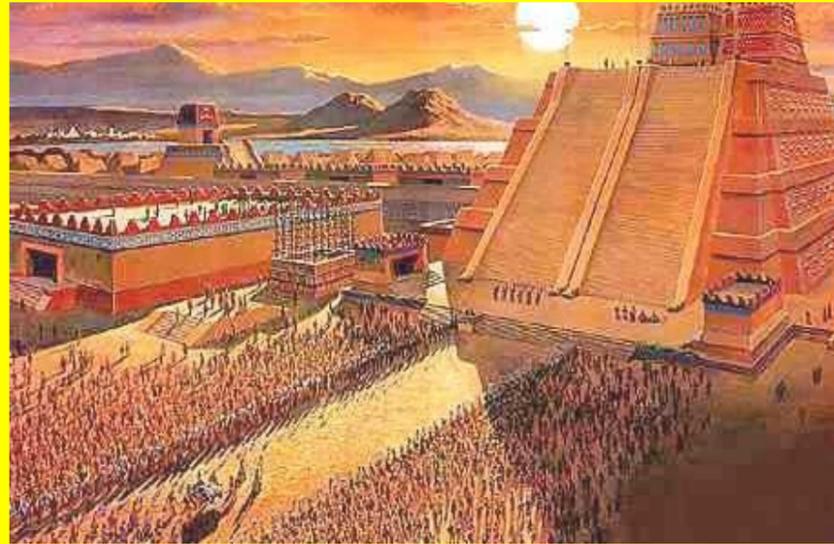
Science:

As scientists, we will be learning about all living things and their habitats, as well as studying animals, including humans. This will focus on comparing the changes in animals and insects as they become fully grown.. We will be using a range of equipment to investigate these changes.

Computing:

As digital learners, we will be studying how to be bloggers. We will learn the uses of blogging in everyday life and will continue to learn about the safety behind posting anything online. We will also be creating our own websites, remembering the rules of e-safety.

Amazing Aztecs



Key Questions:

- ⇒ Who are the Aztecs?
- ⇒ When did they live and how long were around for?
- ⇒ What is the link between chocolate and Aztecs?
- ⇒ How are Aztecs different to Vikings?
- ⇒ Where are the Aztecs from?
- ⇒ Were the Aztecs at war with anyone?
- ⇒ What did they wear and why?

Religious Education:

We will be learning about the Muslim faith, studying their beliefs and gaining a detailed insight into the five pillars of Islam and how these link to everyday life.

History:

As historians, we will be exploring the Aztecs, with a focus on their way of life. We will study their hierarchy system and their beliefs. We will be using ICT to research the relevance of chocolate to the Aztec civilisation and will write a diary entry in the life of an Aztec. The children will also have the chance to think like an Aztec mathematician, with a glimpse of the systems they used to count and solve problems.

Art and Design:

As artists, we will be using different media to create our own Aztec patterns. We will design and practise using various draft methods to perfect our skills and patterns before completing the final product.

Design and Technology:

As designers, we will be studying food technology, taste testing different foods from Mexico, such as salsa and guacamole. The children will then create their own Mexican dish and critically evaluate it.

Music:

As musicians, we will be learning about Aztec music, learning the features and performing our own songs. We will also learn about Aztec instruments and will make our own that we will be able to use to accompany our performances.

SMSC

The pupils will be learning about and comparing other people's beliefs, religious or otherwise, which informs their perspective on life. Children will also participate in half-termly reasoned discussions based around British Values, with a focus on stereotyping and prejudice. We will maintain our links with Asamang Roman Catholic School in Ghana.

School Trips

We hope to visit Tropical Wings as part of our Animals and Living Things topic. Details TBC

Key dates

Our P.E days have changed for next term. Both classes will now have indoor P.E on a Tuesday and outdoor P.E (PPA) on a Thursday. Please ensure kit is left in school during the week.

19th April—spring term optional homework projects due

3rd July: Sports day

6th July: Reserve Sports day

10th July 6pm—Kingswood information meeting for parents

11th July: Transition day—meet new teachers

11th July—Open evening 6pm

Optional homework

We would like the children to design and create their own Aztec masks. These should be individual to each child and created with a personality and purpose in mind.

We look forward to seeing these soon! (Monday 3rd July is the deadline date)

Physical Education:

Within our PE lessons we will be developing our gymnastic skills, focusing on balancing, turning and rolling. We will be applying our skills to create sequences. Excitingly, we will be learning about the benefits of yoga, trying out different stretches and making our bodies more flexible. In outdoor P.E we will be playing team and individual sports, learning the skills of Kwik Cricket before playing a match. We will also be preparing for the athletics season with some sprints and long distance races.

French:

In French, we will be learning about healthy living, food and drink and will learn how to express our likes and dislikes in the French language.