

English

This term we will be writing a persuasive text about homework. We will familiarise ourselves with the features of persuasive texts and gather lots of ideas both for and against the topic then organise them and write them up using appropriate language and grammar.

To finish the term, we will be creating calligrams, or shape poems, based around learning in our topic of the Maya.

Maths

We will be completing some long term projects designed to recap the learning we have completed over the year as well as giving the children some understanding of practical, real life applications of maths.

They include planning travel, running a bakery and dealing with finances.

Science

Our science topic is **classification**. We will explore the different ways in which living things can be grouped then learn about the work of Carl Linnaeus and the importance of a universal system of classification. We will both group living things and create the description of a living thing to match a grouping. We will also explore microbes and how they fit into classification rules.



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History

For the summer term we will be studying the Ancient Maya, a civilisation which thrived about four thousand years ago. We will find out where and when their civilisation flourished and possible reasons for its demise. We will see where the Maya fit into history by creating a timeline. We will discover that they had sophisticated writing and number systems and have a go at reading, understanding and using them.

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Enrichment: Visit to Palmers Green Mosque

PE: Wednesday

RE

This term we will be studying Islam. We will learn of the importance of Salah and Hajj and how pattern and calligraphy are used.

PSHE

Our focus this term is economic wellbeing. We will learn how to keep our money safe, the risks of gambling and what sorts of careers are available to us.

French (KS2 only)

We will be learning about food in French this term.

Geography

We will be looking at how the Earth's resources are used and abused throughout the world and ways in which we can combat this. We will be comparing the UK with Mexico and thinking about both similarities and differences.

Music

This term we will focus on learning the songs for our end of year production of 'Bugsy Malone'.

Art

We will be thinking about the use of symbols in art and how street art is used to give a message. We will be learning about the technique of chiaroscuro, the use of light and dark to create contrast in art.

Computing

We will learn how bar codes work and how data can be transmitted and collected using radio-frequency identification. We will explore that ways in which this information can be used to benefit consumers.

Suggested places to visit

The Natural History Museum

Suggested books to read

Dear Earth by Isabel Otter

The Maya by Tracey Kelly

Chocolate Tree by Linda Lowery