English

In English we will begin by revisiting some key grammar and punctuation skills.

In year 5, the children will be learning about common, proper and abstract nouns as well as different forms of verbs, verb phrases and how to use them. They will be focusing on a desert non-fiction text in reading sessions and then reading 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.

Year 6 are studying word classes and sentence construction before moving onto writing in different genres. We are reading the Many Lives of Albie Bright.

Art

As artists we will study clay mask making. The children will research different culture's masks and different artist's interpretations of what a mask is. They will then take inspiration to create their own.

Other Subjects

- In PE, the children in year 5 will be enjoying swimming lessons. Year 6 are practising ball skills, including football.
- In RE, our topic is expressions. The children will be learning how they and others of faith express their beliefs through celebrations.
- In computing, we are learning about systems.
- In Music, we will be working with the Music service and looing at Maya themed music.
- In PSHCE, we are thinking about new beginnings.

Design Technology

In design and technology, we will be following the sequence of research and planning a project. We will represent our designs in writing and with diagrams. We will be making games using electrical components. And evaluating our work to decide if it is fit for purpose.



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Geography

In geography we will be learning about continents and will be particularly focussing on North and South America. We will be learning about what physical and human geography features are and will be identifying and comparing them with the UK. During this unit, we will also be learning about the

History

As historians we will be studying the ancient Maya. We will learn about when and where they lived. We will study their achievements in creating sophisticated calendars and systems for writing and numbers.

Maths

In **Year 5,** pupils will study the following key areas:

- Place Value
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division

We will begin the term by learning how to read and write numbers up to a million. We will be learning how to partition these numbers and will gain an understanding of the value of each digit within a number.

In **Year 6**, pupils will study the following key areas:

- Place value
- Four operations
- Fractions

Science

In science lessons we will be studying animals including humans. We will we particularly focussing on life-cycles of different groups of animals and will be comparing them with the life-cycle of a human. During this unit, we will be taking a close look at a variety of common birds, amphibians, insects and mammals. The children will use relevant scientific language and illustrations to discuss, communicate and justify their ideas.