# The Ancient Maya

# Year Six Thomas Summer Term 2024



#### English

As readers, we will be studying Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. We will examine the vocabulary, characters and settings within the story in detail. During Summer Two, we will read 'Room 101'. Throughout the term we will be able to apply our knowledge and understanding of our class stories to develop our fabulous writing skills.

As writers, we will be creating recounts, narratives, letters and diary entries inspired by our class stories. We will also be writing poetry and flashbacks, as well as balanced arguments.

## Maths

As mathematicians we shall be learning about 2D and 3D shapes focusing on formulas for finding the area, perimeter and volume. We shall be looking at properties of triangles.

We will be learning the features of different types of charts and graphs and interpret the data that these graphs show. We will also be learning to calculate the mean. We will focus on geometry style exam guestions to support our understanding of symmetry, rotation and translation.

At the start of the Summer Term, we will be revising for the Key Stage Two

#### Whole School Events and Themes Summer One Key Stage Two SATs- WB 13/05 The Wizard of Oz Touring Theatre Show- 22/05

Summer Two Class Photos- 05/06 Hounslow Book Awards- 13/06 Aspirations Week (Inc Spring Grove has Talent) - WB- 24/06 Sports Day- WB-01/07 TBC Showcase Assembly- 22/07

# Key Areas of Learning

As geographers, we will be looking at migration and settlement. We will look at differences in migration across the globe and we will discuss why people migrate.

As historians, we will learn about the Mayans- finding out where and when they lived and how their society was constructed. We will learn about Mayan pyramids, language, rituals and beliefs and compare them to other civilisations in history.

As scientists, we will explore the world of classification through our topic Evolution and Inheritance, we will find out how humans and animals have evolved as a result of the environment and what the future implications are for living things in light of climate change. We will also continue to develop our skills in working scientifically by planning, conducting, recording and concluding a range of investigations.

## Computing

In computing, we are going to learn to be publishers and travel writers promoting a place using 'Publisher'.

We will also use our skills to produce a Leaflet about The Mayans.

#### Art and DT

As creators, we will create our own chair that reflects our personalities. In D.T, we will be creating our own automata frame. We will be using a range of resources and materials to support our design.

# **PSHE**

During our PSHE sessions, we will be learning to develop positive relationships.

Through our theme around Changing Me, we will be thinking about some of our physical and emotional changes that are taking place.

# RF

We are learning about the Quran and the significance of the Quran in Islam. Our enquiry questions is: How is the Quran vital to Muslims today? We will explain how interpreting the Qur'an might be vital to how a Muslim chooses to live today.



In Physical Education, we will be practising our tennis and rounder's skills. We will be working on our throwing and catching skills and bowling under pressure. We will also work on applying our tactics in a game.

Music

PE

We will be listening to music from a range of cultures, such as: 'Three Little Birds' by Bob, and we will discuss its pulse, rhythm and pitch. We will learn to sing, improvise and compose music.

## French

In French, we will be talking about the sports we like and dislike. We will then use our knowledge to discuss a sporting event in more detail.



**Guildford Spectrum- TBC** Local mosque 'Citizenship day' TBC

**Experiences:**