

Now lots of useful information to help you and your children be organised and make the most of the year group. Please also ensure you keep checking our website, Twitter account and text messages for other updates as well as looking out for letters which may be sent home from time to time.

### What will my child be learning this term?

Our theme for this term is **Temples, Tombs and Treasure Ancient Maya**

#### English



This half term we will write a folk story based on the book called The Chocolate Tree. Children will have to use direct speech, expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. In the second part of the half term, we will write a non-chronological report about Mayans. We will continue to develop our grammar and vocabulary skills across half term.

#### Maths



#### Geometry

Our next unit is geometry. We will continue to develop our fluency and knowledge about multiplication and division facts up to 12. We will learn to compare and classify geometric shapes, identify acute, obtuse and right angle.

#### Multiplication and Division

We will continue to develop our fluency of the multiplication and division facts. We will practise them in different orders and with a different game. Children all have their TTrackstars logins, so they can practise at home.

### Theme

#### Geography



This half term we will be locating the Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn and explain why people may be attracted to live in cities.



#### History

This half term we will be using mathematical skills to round up time differences into centuries and decades. We will be looking at historic items and artefacts can be used to help build a picture of the past.



#### Art

We will use clay and other mouldable materials to create Mayan pottery.

#### Science



In Science we will be learning about living things and their habitat. We will classify the living things and identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment.

### How can I help my child at home?

- Ask them what they are **learning about** in school.
- Make sure they have **equipment** to do their **learning at home**.
- Check your child is doing their **learning at home** and handing it in on THURSDAYS!
- **Listen to your child read** every night and talk to them about the book (this can be done in English or the home language) – use the questions in their reading records.
- Help them practice their **times tables**
- Help them learn their **spellings**.

### Where can we go as a family to support my child's learning?

#### Talking at Home

We encourage you to talk to your child about their learning in class. Ask them what they have learnt each day or something new which they have found out. See if your child can explain what they have been learning at school. This is a good indication of how well they listen and how interested they are in their work. They may even tell you something you didn't know!

### Upcoming trips / visits / visitors / theme days

- 9.04 and 12.04. 2024- Gazegill Farm and Bolton Abbey Visit
- 12.04.2024 – Eid Party

### E-safety reminders

1. Don't give anyone your password, name, address, the name of your school or any information about your family
2. Don't talk to strangers on the Internet
3. Don't agree to meet anyone in person that you've met online
4. Don't fill in a profile that asks for your name and address
5. Don't visit a chat room without an adult's / parent's permission
6. Don't stay online if you see something you think your parents won't like
7. Don't post pictures of yourself without your parents' permission
8. Do not download or install anything on your computer without your parents' permission
9. If you have any questions about something you read, ask your parent or guardian
10. If you are talking to someone online and they make you uncomfortable, remember you don't have to talk back to them

### Uniform reminders

Children need to wear **black plain shoes** and bring their school reading book/ records daily.

Swimming will take place on Monday for 4GW and Wednesday 4MT. Children will need to bring their swimming kit each week please.

