



Welcome to Phoenix class!

Summer Term Two

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a brilliant Half Term holiday. We are super excited to begin this new term with Phoenix and get back into our school routine!

On a Tuesday afternoon, Mrs Osborne will be covering my PPA time, and I will not be in school on a Thursday. The class will be taught by Mrs Osborne every Thursday alongside Miss Burns and Miss Collier. Please message the appropriate staff if needed, so that urgent messages are picked up.

Topic

This term in Phoenix class we are exploring a new topic entitled 'Maya Civilisation' this will be covered by Mrs Osborne.

MAYA MATH

MATHEMATICS, GRADES: 5-8

Here is a picture. The most effective way for kids to understand and understand the 20-based Maya number system is to play with the Maya number system. Here are some ideas for other students.

"There's not much going on making wheel-like cars if you don't have draft animals to pull them!"
Scott Loh. "Brazils was some busy avoiding the Maya calendar (and the concept of time)..."

The Japan Book, Book for Middlewell, p. 11

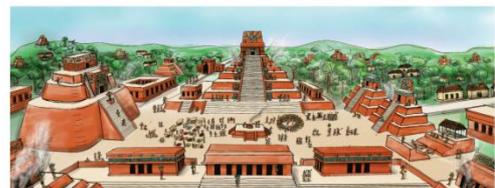


Maya Frescoes & Murals



MAYA CIVILIZATION

SOCIAL STUDIES, GRADES: 5-8



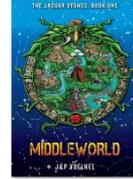
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Reading and Literacy

We always try to encourage a love of reading as much as possible within school. This term to begin with we are focusing on Recount of events; and will be writing a Newspaper Report about Greta Thunburg, we are looking at a book called 'We are all Greta', looking into 'Climate Change'.



In class we will be reading Middleworld, by J and P Voelkel..

Within literacy, we will be focusing on real facts about 'Climate Change', to really inform the reader.

Please ensure that your child is reading at home **every** night, as well as recording their reading in their reading records. Children will take AR tests throughout the week with books usually being changed by Wednesday, so please ensure these are being brought back into school. Spellings will be sent home on a Friday with homework - spelling tests are the following Friday mornings.

Maths

Maths will continue to be split for the Year 4 and Year 5 children. The Y4's will go to Mrs Griffin's classroom each day for their maths lesson. This is so all the Year 4s in the school follow the Year 4 curriculum, it also means they can prepare for their multiplication check. The Year 5 children will stay in class with me to complete Year 5 maths.

We will be starting off the term learning all about Negative Numbers before moving on to Converting Units. Children will have daily arithmetic questions as a maths starter to spend 10 minutes on for practice, as well as daily reasoning and problem-solving questions and challenges.

For our Year 4 children, as part of the government scheme, in June, all Year 4 children will be carrying out a times tables test which they have been practicing this year. For this, children need to know all their times tables up to the 12 times tables. Sumdog is an excellent way of practicing this, if you can please ensure your children are using this that would help a lot. If you have any problems with Sumdog, please let me know.

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Science

In Science, we are moving on to a new topic 'Living Things and their Habitats', we will be particularly focusing 'Human Impact and Changing Environments', so nicely corresponding with our theme in Literacy.

P.E

Within P.E. this term, we shall be focusing on Athletics (on a Monday afternoon), and another curriculum area with JB Sports on a **Friday** afternoon. Please ensure your child comes to school with their kit on those days if they are not keeping them in school, although we encourage PE kits to be left in school now. Please also ensure that your child does not wear earrings and that long hair is tied up on PE days.

Key Information

- Please ensure that children are bringing in the correct PE kit on the relevant days.
- I'm not in school on a Thursday, so please message Mrs Osborne should you need to that day.

It will be an exciting and busy term, with lots of fun things to look forward to!

Many Thanks,
Phoenix team 😊

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