

Summer Term 2026
Year 5
Curriculum
Map



History
The Mayans

Children will focus on the Mayans, their way of life and what made them so strong as a civilization. Children will then move onto investigating why they suddenly changed their way of life and seemingly disappeared. We also have our very exciting trip to Cadbury world to look forward to.

Art

Children will design their own Mayan symbol and print this onto fabric.

Children will study Matisse and Rousseau and use 'Tiger in a tropical storm' as inspiration for their own rainforest collages.

English

Fiction – Descriptive adventure story writing based on the Maya and living in the rainforest.

Non-fiction – Non-Chorological Report about Life Cycles.

Class Reader The Curse of the Maya and The Explorer.

RE

Gospel – What would Jesus do?

Children will look at the features and meanings of gospel texts including how they can be interpreted. Consideration will then be given to the impact upon how Christians live their lives.

Humanism and Christianity

Children will focus upon how sources of authority encourage people to be good. We will also look at what a moral code is and how this guides values and ways of life.

Maths

Maths Meetings for fluency

Converting units

- Converting imperial units
- Metric units
- Timetables

Position and Direction

- Translation and reflection with coordinates.

Volume

- Compare volume
- Estimate volume
- Estimate capacity

Statistics

- Read and Interpret line graphs
- Draw line graphs
- Use line graphs
- Read and Interpret tables

Science

Animals and Humans – Humans in old age

Children will look at changes that take place as humans age, including care that can be taken.

Investigations – working scientifically

Focusing upon carrying out investigations that are planned and carried out fairly. The children will also make suggestions as to how an experiment could have been improved or developed further.

PSHCE

Children will be developing their understanding of body confidence, mind confidence, understanding everyone is different and portrayal of this in the media.

SRE

To understand physical changes that take place and consider the importance of hygiene.

French

Numbers 0 – 50

Children will recap and learn numbers up to and including 50 in French.

Weather and Seasons

Children will learn and practise key vocabulary about the weather and seasons, allowing them to answer the question "What is the weather like around the world?"

Geography
South America

Looking at the countries of South America and some of the human and physical features of them. Children will compare Cheltenham with Leticia and focus on the rainforest as a biome and why it needs protection.

PE

Tennis

Building on forehand, backhand and volleying skills as well as incorporating these into match play.

Athletics

Focusing upon running for speed as well as pace. Children will also look at relay running and hurdles.

Rounders

Focusing on batting, fielding and bowling techniques. Children will use tactics in a game situation.

Handball

Focusing on attacking and defending, outwitting the opposition to score a goal. Children will also develop their understanding of fair game and honesty.

Music

Children will be studying the composer Heitor Villa-Lobos and learning about syncopated rhythms, using them in their own compositions.

Children will be composing a body and tuned percussion piece representing the layers of the rainforest.

Computing
iCrypto

Children will encode and decode messages using Morse code, Caesar cipher and frequency analysis.

iweb

Children will explore how the world wide web allows people to connect, work together and share information. Basic components of web programming.