Writing

As writers, we will be learning about and creating our own Mayan myths before moving on and creating information texts about Mayan gods and goddesses.

Mathematics

As mathematicians, we will be rounding four-digit numbers to the nearest thousand, hundred and ten. We will be using our addition and subtraction skills to calculate the perimeter of rectilinear shapes. During this, we will learn how to convert between different units of measure.

We will also be developing our multiplication skills and times table facts so that we can recall them accurately and instantly. We will use our knowledge of place value to multiply and divide mentally and recognise factor pairs and commutativity.

Science

As scientists, we will be learning about sound. We will explore how sound travels and how the pitch and volume differs. We will then plan and carry out an investigation on how the volume of a sound depends on its distance from its source.

Design and Technology

In DT, we will be learning about Mayan weaving techniques. We will design our weaving patterns, weave these and turn them into pencil cases using stitching and hems.

Autumn 2 - Year 4 Who were the Maya?

Life Skills

In Life Skills we will be looking at the overarching theme of Health and Wellbeing. This will involve some discussions around looking after our teeth, relaxation, celebrating mistakes and our role within our community. This will lead on to use looking at happiness, emotions and our own mental wellbeing.

Computing

As computer scientists, we will be developing our word processing skills. We will be learning to touch type in a systematic way. We will then be learning short cuts to edit documents and publish our writing work.

Physical Education

As gymnasts, the children will be learning and developing rolling, balancing and taking weight on their hands to create a sequence of movement in a pair and group. Two classes will also be developing their vital swimming skills, whilst the other class will be passing, shooting, dribbling and defending skills in football.

French

As linguists, we will be leaning about the seasons. We will be learning to speak and write about the changes over the year in the natural world around us.

Texts and Enrichment

The Hero Twins and the Lords of Xibalba
The Gift of Corn
The Turtle and the Maize
British Museum 3D tour
Immersion day and hot chocolate