

Our Year 3 Term 5 2016 Family Learning Journey is:

Let's go on an adventure

Learning Overview

This term, the children's learning will be based on the theme Let's go on an adventure.

In History, we will learn about the Mayan civilisation, specifically the people, places and their beliefs. We will read the Mayan creation story and use it as a basis to explore other myths and legends.

We will use our geographical skills to locate Guatemala on a map and investigate what it is like there focussing on landscape, people, food, cities and villages.

In ICT we will use a new programme called Purple Mash to assist us with our learning this term by using it to research and present our findings. We will also explore coding.

In D.T we will design, make and evaluate a tube puppet, using Mayan Gods as inspiration for our characters.

In Science we will investigate and measure the amount of force needed to pull an object over different surfaces using force metres.



English and Mathematics

Children will continue to work in their Read Write Inc or Literacy and Language groups. We will write our own mythical story using the Mayans for inspiration. We will write a play script, linking our learning with our Mayan tube puppets.

In Numeracy we will continue to learn multiplication facts and look for patterns in the 2, 4 and 8 times tables. We will use partitioning strategies and the written column method for addition and subtraction. The children will learn how to tell the time to the nearest minute on a 12 hour clock and explore units of time.

Helping your child at home and school

Future dates:-

Monday 11th April - Training Day school closed.

Monday 2nd May - Bank holiday, school closed.

Friday 28th May - school closes 3.05pm for half term.

Useful websites:-

<http://www.purplemash.com> please use your child's individual login details.

<http://www.mathletics.co.uk>

<http://www.history.com/topics/maya>

<http://travel.nationalgeographic.com/travel/countries/guatemala-map/>

http://www.mythicjourneys.org/bigmyth/myths/english/2_maya_full.htm

P.E days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, please ensure P.E kit is in school to enable the children to participate in P.E lessons.

Homework will be sent out on the first week back and needs to be returned to school by Friday 20th May.

Please ensure your child's reading diaries are completed each time your child reads their library book.