

Thomas Bullock CE Primary Academy

Summer Term 1 Newsletter



South America Class
Year 4



Welcome back! I hope you have all had a wonderful and healthy Easter with your families and friends.

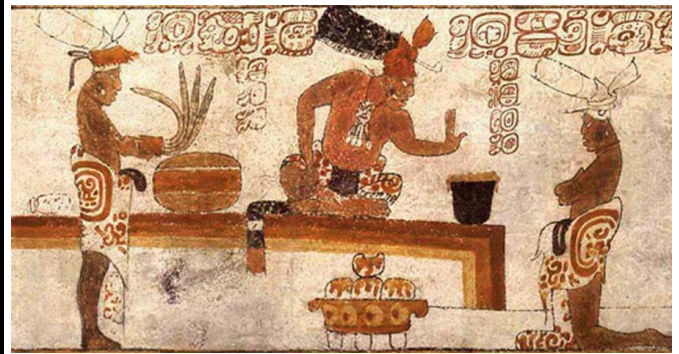
Our P.E session is on a Thursday and Friday this half term. Please send your child to school in their P.E kit on this day.

This term, we will be heavily focusing on our multiplication tables in preparation for our multiplication tables check in June. Please make sure you are practicing regularly with your child. Please let me know if there are any resources you need to help support any extra practise at home.

Please do get in touch with any queries you may have.

This Half Term's Learning

This half term our topic focus is History We will be starting our learning journey about the Ancient Mayan Civilization.



English Learning Objectives

This half term our class book is **Charlie and The Chocolate Factory**. We will begin writing some **explanation texts** about a new invention for the chocolate factory. The children will be looking at the features required for this particular writing style such as causal conjunctions, subordinate clauses and technical language.

Following this we will continue looking at Charlie and The Chocolate Factory where we will write a **character profile** about one of the characters in the book. After this, we will be ending the term writing **narrative stories** based on a sixth golden ticket winner! We will be looking closely at the characterisation, vocabulary and the structure of our writing.

Reading Stars will continue each morning to develop the children's reading and comprehension skills as well as development of vocabulary as well as our daily reading for pleasure opportunities.

Maths Learning Objectives

We will start the half term by continuing to look at **length and perimeter** where we will look at perimeter of different shapes and finding missing lengths.

Following this, we will move on to our next stage of **decimals** where we begin making wholes with tenths, hundredths and begin to partition decimals flexibly. We will also compare, order and round decimals to the nearest whole number and understand decimals as halves and quarters. Next, we at **money** where we will write money using decimals, convert between pounds and pence, compare, estimate and solve money problems.

Lastly, we will end the term **revisiting multiplication and division** to build on previous knowledge in preparation for our multiplication tables check. In this, we will also look at multiplying and dividing 2 and 3-digit numbers by 1 digit numbers.

Other curriculum areas :

In **Science** we will be learning about sound. We will be investigating how sound is created, how we hear, how sound travels and how we can look after our hearing.

In **History** we will be learning about the Ancient Mayans and how they lived. We will also look at the disappearance of the Mayan civilisation.

In **Art** we will be looking at the artist Andy Warhol and his pop art style where we will be create large sweet wrappers relating to our class book this term. We will be looking at contrasting colours and different medias.

In **R.E** we will be learning about why there is so much diversity of belief within Christianity.

We will be looking at logos and animations in **Computing**, this term. We will be using computer skills to be creative and make some artistic logos for brands and animations.

In **PSHE** we will be looking at having a balanced and healthy life both in mind and body. In **RSE** we will be looking at our beliefs.

Music will be led by our wonderful music hub and **P.E** from Mrs Greenland on Thursdays and Miss Crane on Fridays.