

Cumberworth CE First School ENJOY, ENRICH, EXCEL

Machu Picchu – Class Newsletter

School improvement focus

Our focus this half term is **SEND Provision**

English

We will be exploring the different sentence types, command, exclamation, questions and statement and how to write and punctuate them correctly. Our main focus will be on understanding the grammar we use in our writing to ensure that it is correctly written and interesting, descriptive or informative for the reader.

In reading our first theme focus is on Shakespeare and in particular the play 'The Tempest'. In reading sessions our focus is on retrieval, inference and prediction questions.

Maths

This half term we will be covering:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction

Diary Dates

September

10th - KS2 Mayan Workshop in school

16th – Year 4 & 5 Cross Country at

Shelley College

19th – Wear it Pink Day

26th – European Day of languages

October

3rd – Harvest Worship for parents 9:30

-10:00

3rd – Grandparents afternoon tea 14:30

- 15:15

Attendance

Our class attendance this year to date is 100%.

General Class Information

Our P.E days are Monday and Friday

Children will bring **homework** home on a Friday and should return it the following Wednesday.

Please make sure your child has a **water bottle** in school each day. **Library** will be every **Monday** afternoon.

Learn to Read books and **Love to Read** books will be sent home on a **Wednesday** or **Friday**.

Please make sure that your child brings their reading book and reading record book in to school every day.

Topic this term.... Maya – Ancient Civilisation! Sounds – drumming, loud and clear!

- In Science, the children will be investigating sounds, how they are made, travel and can be changed. This will include looking at ears and how we hear sounds. There will also be some practical experiments where the children will develop their skills of reporting scientifically.
- In History, children will be finding out about the ancient civilisation
 of Maya (who, what, where and when) and be comparing their
 findings to the ancient civilisations of Egypt and Sumer researched
 last year (what is different or similar about the civilisations).
- In Art, we will be diving into the art world of the ancient Mayans, finding out how they depicted their art and why. The children will have a go at creating their own art pieces in the Mayan style using a range of art media and styles.
- In **Computing**, the children are looking at systems and searching.
- In **RE**. The children will be exploring the question 'what does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?'
- In **Music**, the children will start to learn how to play African drums and exploring the instruments of percussion.
- In **PE**, the children will be focussing on fitness and yoga.
- In **PSHE**, The Jigsaw unit is 'Being Me in My World' the children will discuss and explore the themes of becoming a class team, being a school citizen, rights and responsibility for democracy and rewards and consequences.
- In French, the children will be focusing on the vocabulary of greetings, I would like, please and thank you as well as colours, numbers and classroom objects.

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