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We ask that children have their full PE kit in school **at all times** and **must** take them home to wash at weekends.

Homework

At Thorpe Hesley Primary School we have high expectations with homework and expect it to be handed in on time and to a high standard. In Year 6 we encourage adults to support children with their homework. However, if the children are finding the homework particular challenge then we would ask that the children speak to their class teacher before the due date of the homework. Children in Y6 will:

- Read regularly at home, at least 3 times a week. Reading Diaries will be kept in school Monday to Friday and sent home at weekends for you to add comments. These will be checked regularly in school and we really value adult comments in there as well as children's.
- Have weekly spellings on a Friday to be practised at home prior to their Friday spelling test.
- Have a weekly maths or literacy task to complete at home and to be handed in on a Friday.
- Have creative homework one piece to be completed each half term (see overleaf). This piece gives children the opportunity to choose a creative, topic based, piece of homework.
- All children also have their own log-ins for TT Rockstars which is a great resource for practising times tables.

Thank you for your continued support.



Below is an overview of what we will be learning about this term.

Science	Describing how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals. Giving reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.
History and Geography	In History, we will be learning about the achievements of the ancient Maya civilisation and how they have impacted their lives today. Comparing the ancient Maya civilisation with other ancient civilisations e.g. Egypt, Sumer, Rome, Greece. In Geography, we will be locating where the Maya civilisation
Art	For art this term, we will be introducing the children to their creative journals. Each art lesson will focus on specific skills that will build up to create a final piece of art work that will be inspired by another artist. The media that we will be using this term is clay and collage where the children will be using a range of techniques to create a Maya temple or mask.
ICT	How to keep safe on the Internet and Coding. Creating a Pdf related to the ancient Maya.
PE	Learning how to play football, table tennis, gymnastics and dance
Music	We will continue to use the Charanga music scheme to learn all about pitch, tempo, rhythm, volume and timbre.
Spanish	Learning Greetings, Classroom Instructions, Animals, Numbers and Spanish Culture
RE	Considering if they can make a positive impact on the world in their lifetime. The meaning of incarnation and the meaning of the Christmas story.
PSHCE	Learning that stable, caring relationships, which may be of different types, are at the heart of happy families, and are important for children's security as they grow up. Learning that most friendships have ups and downs, and that these can often be worked through so that the friendship is repaired or even strengthened, and that resorting to violence is never right.

Our Topic

Our topic this term will be focusing on the famous Maya civilisation. Our key question for this term will be 'How did the Maya civilisation influence society today?'.

Our Class text

For our class text this term, will we be focusing on the comic book 'The Hero Twins'. We will also be comparing this text to other myths and legends in a range of other genres.

Creative Homework

This year, as part of our creative curriculum we are reintroducing our creative homework. The children will need to create 1 piece of creative homework per half term. Below are some ideas to get your creativity flowing...

A 3D model of Chichen Itza

A Maya mask

Maya clothing

Sketches of Maya temples and ruins

A Maya dance

A Maya inspired recipe

A diary entry from a Maya

A digital piece of artwork

A Poster all about the Maya civilisation



