



The learning question for this half term will be:

Incas, Aztecs and Mayans—Soldiers or Sacrifice: Which would you be?

### Homework

Homework will be set each week and the children will be made aware of the deadline for returning their finished work to school. This will relate to topics that the children need to cover for the SATs.

### Spellings

Spellings will be given out on a Monday. A short test will be carried out the following Friday.

### Enterprise

The Year 6 children will organise a fundraising activity to assist in the cost of their end-of-year event.

### Home Reading

Children will be given their reading books to take home on a daily basis. They should be encouraged to read a few pages every night as regular reading at home makes a real difference to a child's progress. Please discuss with your child what they've read before signing their reading record book. Thank you for your help with this.

### PE.

PE lessons will take place every Friday. However, we ask that the children have their kit in school every day for the Summer Term. Every child in the class looks extremely smart in their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T-shirt. Please ensure that your child also brings suitable outdoor footwear for PE. Thank you for your help with this.

# CLASS MJ – SUMMER TERM I

Welcome back to Class 6MJ. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the topics that your children will be studying this half term.

### Literacy

Main areas of study will be:

- Story Writing
- Information Texts
- Reading and Writing through topic
- SATs Preparation

Also during literacy your child will be focussing on sentence punctuation, spelling, handwriting and guided reading. During guided reading sessions, we will be focussing on the text 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas'.

### Numeracy

Main areas of study will be:

- Place Value
- Securing number facts
- Problem Solving
- Handling data
- Understanding shape
- SATs Preparation

Your child will also be using their times tables and other mathematical knowledge to further develop their skills in problem solving.

### Science

In Science we will be covering a range of topics that the children have looked at throughout their primary education. Children's learning in Science will be supported wherever possible by practical activities and investigations.

### Art / DT

Our Art and DT lessons will relate to our theme of the Ancient Americas. We will be creating Art pieces, based on the designs of the Aztecs and Incas. We will also be sketching Mayan warriors, using the skills we have learned throughout the year.

### ICT

In ICT we will continue investigating online safety and will begin to look at video editing. We will also be further developing our word processing and presentation skills, building on our previous learning.

### RE/ PSHCE

In RE we will be learning about how following God can help bring freedom and justice. The children will also be reading and investigating Bible passages within our RE lessons and then sharing these with the rest of school during collective worship.

In PSHCE we will be looking at 'Relationships' and other topics relevant to issues of importance to us this term.

### History / Geography

In Geography we will be learning about the different places that were sacred to the Incas, Aztecs and Mayans. We will use globes and atlases to support our learning as well as creating our own maps.

In History, we will be looking, in detail, at the monuments that were built by these civilizations and how they have been affected by age and human interaction.

### French / Music

We are very excited to be continuing our French lessons—taught by a specialist French teacher. In these lessons, the children will learn numbers, names of family members and basic words and phrases. We will then incorporate these into our daily classroom routines.

**SATs**—As you are aware, the Year 6 children will be taking their SATs this term. Tests will be taken each morning, during the week starting the 13th May. It is extremely important that your child is present each day during SATs week, and in the weeks leading up to the tests. We encourage children to attend the breakfast club in the morning so that they are here early and have time to relax with their friends, before sitting the exams.

### Finally...

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact either myself or Miss Priestman at the end of the day.