

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Welcome to Year 6! We are really looking forward to making a great start to the year and are so excited to see you all back at school! Here is our curriculum map for our topics leading up to the half term. Year 6 classes will be doing PE on a Monday and Friday - they should come to school in PE kit on these days.  
Best wishes,  
The Year 6 team!

**Big Questions:**  
**Who were the Mayans and what did we learn from them?**  
**How can you light up your life?**

**As Mathematicians we will...**

Be looking at place value, addition, subtraction and perimeter.

**Sticky words for this half term:**

Empire, civilisation, ritual, origin, ceremonial, absence, silhouette, reflection, refraction, source

**As Writers we will...**

Be writing a poem, setting description and a diary entry.

**As Athletes we will...**

Cover gymnastics and basketball.

**In PSHE...**

We will explore what it is like to be me in my world.

**As Readers we will...**

Be continuing to focus on reading comprehension skills, particularly inference from a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts, including poetry.

We will also read the book 'The final year'.

**As Scientists we will...**

Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines. Learn about reflection. Understand what light sources are. Understand how shadows are made.

**As Designers/Artists we will...**

Complete a mixed media artist study and create our own pieces.

**As Technicians we will...**

Explore computer systems and networks.

**As Historians we will...**

Learn about A non- European society (Maya) that provides contrast with British history. We will explore where they lived, gods and goddesses, rituals and ceremonies, Maya pyramids and their civilisation's disappearance.

**In Religious Education we will...**

Follow the Leicestershire agreed syllabus and look at the question:

What matters most to Christians and Humanists?