

SCIENCE

In science we will be learning about electricity, creating circuits, investigating how the different components work and representing these with symbols.

ENGLISH

In English our class text will be Skellig by David Almond about a boy called Michael who moves house. We will be developing our sentences by including both the active and passive voice as well as continuing to develop our description using a range of devices.

Linking with our topic, Hola Mexico, we will be writing instructions for our wraps that we will create in DT as well as tourist information leaflets for Chichen Itza.

Later on in the term, we will be using the book 'Night of the Gargoyles' for our whole literacy school project.

MATHEMATICS

We will be continuing our work on multiplication and division. We will then be moving on to working with fractions and decimals where we will be simplifying fractions and converting fractions to a common denominator in order to add or subtract them. We will also be multiplying pairs of fractions and dividing fractions by a whole number. We will need to memorise some conversions between fractions and decimals.

HUMANITIES

Our topic '¡Hola Mexico!' enables us to learn about a number of geographical and historical features of Mexico. In history we will be learning about the Ancient Maya civilisation, which countries it was located in and consider how we know about the Maya civilisation today. We will be creating information leaflets for Chichen Itza, one of the Seven Wonders of the World.

St. Michael's CE Primary School
Curriculum Overview
Autumn Term 2 2018
Van Gogh Class, Year 5/6
Class teacher: Miss James
¡Hola Mexico!



CREATIVE ARTS

We will be listening to some traditional mariachi music played at festivals in Mexico and considering the tempo and dynamics of the pieces. We will also be creating our own mask designs for the Days of the Dead festival.

In DT, the children will be designing and creating their own healthy wraps with a Mexican style.

At the end of November, we welcome back Radiator Arts to support us with producing willow lanterns for the Rye Christmas Festival.

PE AND GAMES

PE will be taught on Mondays and Thursdays. Our areas for PE this term are Gymnastics and Dance. Please ensure that PE kits are in school daily.

RE, PSHE AND CITIZENSHIP

In RE we will be learning about **Christianity**, in particular the Bible and how Christians use the Bible. In topic we will be learning about the Christian roots of the Mexican festival 'Los Dias de los Muertas'. Our PSHE sessions will be spent introducing and deepening our understanding of our school-wide mindfulness project, 'Zones of Regulation'.

COMPUTING

We will be using the computers to research Chichen Itza. We will consider a range of sources and the validity of these, remembering that the internet can contain information that is incorrect.