English

Linking to our history and geography topics, we will be exploring a range of poetry, fiction and nonfiction genres. The first of these will be "Jabberwocky" which is a famous nonsense word poem that will enable pupils to unpick grammar terms to identify word classes and their functions within a range of sentences. We will be entering the Young Writers poetry competition this term and parents are invited to join us for the event. We will be reviewing a range of spelling rules and patterns, handwriting letter forms and extended our ambitious vocabularly choices in creating engaging pieces of writing.

<u>Maths – a range of maths skills:</u>

- Understanding place value and number sense
- Read, write and order numbers using increasingly larger values
- Explore the inverse relationship of addition/subtraction and multiplication/division
- Use a range of calculation strategies to solve problems.

Geography

- Use atlases and secondary sources to locate Mesoamerica and the ancient cities of Mexico.
- Investigate the physical features of the rainforests including climate and terrain, and consider how these impacted on the lives of Ancient Maya people.

DT

• Falcon pupils will be working on a whole school project to produce a murial for the main hall. We will be exploring the skill of printing using a range of tools and fabrics.

Autumn Term

Who are the Mayans and what have we learned

Visit to school from 'Explorer Academy.' Parent Afternoon: Creative Writing Workshop and Problem Solving day. Separate letters will be sent home detailing each event.

French

• Speaking and listening activities

<u>PE</u>

- Invictus "Goalball"
- Dance workshop
- Maya traditional ball game Pok a Tok
- Tag Rugby

<u>Science</u>

Living things and their habitat

- Describe life processes of plants
- Describe life processes of animals
- Compare life cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds
- Explore scientific researchers and their work
- Explain how metamorphosis occurs

History

- Understand the timeline of significant events leading to the rise and fall of the Maya people
- Understand the importance of spiritual and religious beliefs in shaping the Maya way of life
- Know how Maya's developed key concepts that influence our lives today

<u>ICT</u>

We will begin with a refresher on keeping safe online.

<u>RE and SMSC</u>

Falcon class will be looking at the values and attributes for our school and we will be conducting a general election for School Council members. Pupils will learn about the UK demonstratic values. We will also explore the Sikhism religion, following a line of enquiry into the importance of commitment for followers of this faith.

