Year Four Autumn Term – 'The Mayas'

As readers, these are some of the texts our children will use to support their learning:

Short stories

'The Lion's Den' by Kevin Crossley Holland

Poetry (performance)

'Sound Collector' by Roger McGogh

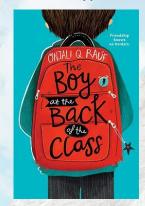
Non-Fiction

Newspaper articles

Non-chronological reports

Fiction

'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Rauf



Our children will use the texts and the links to the curriculum to develop their skills as

Non-chronological texts

Explanations

writers of:

Diaries

Persuasive letters

Instructions

Setting descriptions

Narrative - folk tales

Narrative - adventure stories

Marshland Moments

Write and post a letter

To make a gift for someone special

Key Events

Walk to the Post Office

Visit to Eureka As mathematicians, our children will study:

Place Value

Addition and Subtraction

Area

Multiplication and division

Consolidation

As scientists, our children will work scientifically:	The children will also study the following two units:	
- asking relevant questions and using scientific different enquiries to answer them	Humans	Living Things and their Habitats
- setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests	Teeth & Eating	Classification
- making observations and taking measurements, using a range of equipment	- describe the simple functions of the	- recognise that living things can be grouped in a
- gathering, recording, sorting and presenting data in a variety of ways	basic parts of the digestive systems	variety of ways.
- using scientific language, drawings and diagrams' keys, tables and charts to record	in humans	- explore and use classification keys to help
findings	- identify the different types of teeth	group, identify and name a variety of living
 reporting from enquiries and using results to draw simple conclusions, make 	in humans and their simple	things in their local and wider environment
predictions and suggest improvements	functions.	- recognise that environments can change and
- identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas		that this can sometimes pose dangers to living
- using scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their ideas		things.
As designers and users of technology, our children will develop their technical skills	As artists and designers, our children will investigate:	
when working with structures:	Drawing and Sketching	
Shell Structures	Architect: Antoni Gaudi	
Existing Products: a variety of boxes	Outcome: Mayan Temple drawings	
Can children create a structure to store trinkets?	Link: H	istory – The Mayans
As geographers, our children will study: Natural resources & trade links - South America Link: The Mayans	As historians, our children will develop an understanding of: The Mayan Society A non-European society that provides contrast with British history	
As linguists, our children will use and learn French vocabulary linked to:	Developing their knowledge and skills in physical education, our children will develop	
- Playtime	skills in:	
- The Home	- passing and moving, with a focus on invasion in netball and basketball - returning, with a focus on the net games of tennis and volleyball	
As musicians, our children will learn about:	In Personal, Social and Health Education, our children will study:	
Musical Structures - How does music bring us together?	Being Me In My World – Being part of a team and understanding rights, responsibilities	
Explore Feelings When You Play - How does music connect us with our past?	and democracy. Celebrating Difference – Talking about times when our first impressions of someone changed as we get to know them.	
Investigating world religions through the Doncaster Agreed Syllabus for Religious	As computers and users of technology, our children will investigate:	
Education, our children will follow the lines of enquiry:	- staying safe online	
- Why is the Bible important for Christians today?	- coding	
- Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?	- spreadsheets	