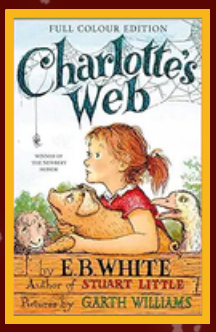
YEAR 4 CURRICULUM NEWS
AUTUMN TERM 2
'MIGHTY MAYANS'



English – As readers and writers, we will reading 'Charlotte's Web' by E.B. White as our key text and using the book to support our reading, comprehension and writing. We will be writing a variety of fiction and non-fiction pieces including descriptions, Kennings poems and explanation texts. In grammar, we will be looking at different types of phrases and clauses.

Maths – As mathematicians, we will begin by exploring a measurement unit and will be looking at area, making shapes and comparing area. We will then be beginning a multiplication and division unit. We will be revising our multiples of 3 and then multiplying and dividing by 6 and 9. Finally, we will look at multiplying and dividing by 7, 11 and 12.

Science – As scientists, we will be looking at the topic Animals Including Humans. We will be describing the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans and identifying the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. Finally, we will construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.

RE – As contemplators, we will be answering the big question: How do Hindus understand God (Brahman)?

History/Geography – As historians, we will be exploring and answering the question: How did the achievements of the Ancient Maya impact their society and beyond? We will be exploring how the Mayans settled in the rainforest, learning about their ancient beliefs and investigating the different features of the Ancient Maya cities.

Art and Design/Design Technology – As artists, we will be using paint and mixed media to explore light and dark. We will be looking at tints and shades and creating compositions of our own.

PE – As sports stars, we will be exploring the skills and playing a range of tagging and dodging games. We will also be learning a dance based on the Mayans.

PSHE – As thinkers, we will be looking at economic wellbeing. We will be looking at how to look after money, career choices and stereotypes. We will also be observing Anti-bullying week, starting the 11th November and completing some work on the impact of bullying and our responsibility as bystanders.

Computing – As computer scientists, we will we begin by looking at the inside of a computer and how it works. We will then be looking at different types of internet research, thinking about how useful and reliable these can be.

Spanish – As linguists, we will be learning about pets. We will be learning the names of different animals and describing them using adjectives.

Music – As musicians, we will be learning how to play the ocarina. Leading up to Christmas we will be learning and practicing our songs for the church service