



Gatekeepers Class: Spring Term 2025: Feel the Force

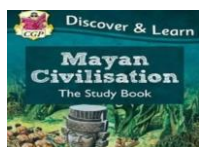
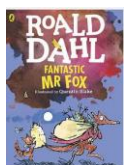
Welcome back! We hope you had a fabulous Christmas break. Our focus core values this term will be trust and perseverance.

Key information:

Tuesdays – Mrs Ferrier will be teaching P.E. every Tuesday. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct P.E. kit.

Fridays – Home learning.

English: Our reading and writing will focus around the texts: Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl, Mayan Civilisations and Use Your Imagination by Nicola O’Byrne. We will also be researching to write our own poems around the theme of space.



Grammar, punctuation and spelling: We will learn more about the past and present tense, adding prefixes, nouns and noun phrases and about different types of sentences

D.T: We will create our own Ancient Maya inspired headdresses!

Music: We will explore pitch patterns and basic notation. Later in the term we will listen to space music and focus on dynamics, timbre and tempo.

Computing: We will learn how to touch type on a keyboard and find out what a computer simulation is and the purpose of them.

Maths: We will focus on: 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

Place value - thinking about the value of each digit in a three digit number, how to multiply and divide by 10, learn mental methods for adding and subtracting numbers, learn expanded and vertical column methods.

Shape, space and measure – rehearse telling the time and calculating time intervals, name 2D and 3D shapes and their properties, investigate perimeter and right angles.

Fractions – of shapes and numbers and equivalent fractions.

Science: We will learn about forces and magnets.

History & Geography: Before half-term we will learn about the Ancient Maya. After half-term we will learn about hot and cold areas in the world.

RSE: We will consider how to keep ourselves safe online and offline. As part of this we will discuss safe and unsafe touches, private parts and road safety.

R.E.: We will answer the big questions: “How do people respond to issues of poverty and justice?” and “What does it mean to be part of a global Christian community?”

Art: We will learn 3D pencil sketching skills to draw lifelike animals, great architects and develop our painting and printing skills.