

Goshawk Class Summer 2022 First Half Term

Greetings Maya and we hope you had a lovely break! This half-term we will be finding out about the ancient Maya; where they lived and what their lives were like. We will also be learning about their link to chocolate. As part of our learning, we will be investigating, designing and making our own chocolate bars. We've included some useful information and sites to help your child succeed in all areas of their learning and as ever your involvement in your child's education is much appreciated.

Thank you

Zara Noyce

English

We will be looking at persuasive letters this half term and will be learning how to structure a persuasive letter. We will be looking at words such as however and therefore, that can help to make our writing flow (conjunctive adverbs) and thinking about the kind of language that is used to persuade people. We will also be practising our persuasion skills verbally by taking part in debates around a variety of topics.

Maths

In maths this half term we will be focussing on:

- Measuring angles in degrees using a protractor
- Drawing lines and angles accurately
- Calculating angles on a straight line and around a point

In order to keep their mental skills sharp, please could you ensure your child regularly practices their 'Minute a Day Games'. The website 'MyMaths' used for their homework also provides lots of interactive activities to support your child's learning, along with Times Tables Rockstars.



Topic

As we are learning about the Maya civilisation this half term, here is a link to a useful website to help you discover more about the Maya and to also help with your homework.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zq6svcw>



PE

In PE this half-term we will be learning the different skills used in Athletics on **Tuesday**. We will also be continuing with our **swimming** on **a Friday** afternoon.

Please could you ensure your child has their full P.E kit in on a Monday with appropriate trainers, as we will be outside for our P.E sessions. If your child wears earrings, please ensure they can either take them out or have their own 'micropore' tape to cover them up. Long hair should also be tied up.

Thank you.