

## Geography and History



Welcome to Mexico. The children will get ready to explore this unique country, from its towering temples and stunning geography to its pulsing rhythms and fun festivals. They will concoct a traditional fruit cocktail or a delicious Mexican meal. The children will discover the mysterious world of the ancient Mayan civilisation. Make their chocolate, learn their poetry, play their ball game and follow all of their curious rituals.

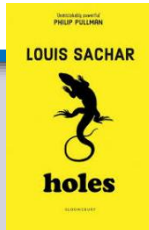
## PE-Games



Over terms two and three this year the children will be looking at the skills they need to be able to take part in team and individual games. They will take part in netball, dance and gymnastics. Towards the end of term 2 they will create and perform a dance style of their choice.

## English

Over the term, the children will base their writing around the novel *Holes* by Louis Sachar. They will imagine that they have been sent to the Chihuahuan Desert in Mexico. They will explore the story's characters, themes, and structure, using it to inspire a range of writing. This will include creating detailed fact files and writing their own legends, drawing on key events and ideas from the text. Through this, they will develop their skills in organising information, using descriptive language, and writing for different purposes and audiences.



## Maths

Throughout term two, the children will begin to unpick more complex and challenging topics in maths.

They will begin the term looking at fractions, percentages, and decimals. They will learn how to add, subtract, divide and multiply fractions and decimals. They will then look at how they can find a percentage of an amount. Towards the end of the term, the children will be able to use these new skills to solve Christmas word problems.

Hola Mexico  
Term 2

## Science

Throughout term 2, the children will learn about light. This project teaches children about the way that light behaves, travelling in straight lines from a source or reflector, into the eye. They explore how we see light and colours, and phenomena associated with light, including shadows, reflections and refraction.



## Knowledge and understanding of the world

This term in RE, the children will be exploring what is known as a 'big question' which is: What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?

### Uniform

All clothing needs to be labelled clearly please, especially jumpers/cardigans. PE will take place every week, unless otherwise stated, so please ensure your child arrives in full PE kit on Friday. They can wear black shorts or jogging bottoms, a coloured t-shirt and plain black trainers. The colour of their t-shirt needs to be the same colour as the team your child is in- red, blue, green or yellow.

### Reading

Your child has a reading book and a reading record book to take home every night. This needs to come in to school every day.

We can see a positive difference in the children who read daily to you and we say a big thank you in advance for this.

Thank you also for recording their progress in the reading records, it is very helpful to us.

Great readers make great writers!

### Homework

Your child is given homework every Friday. Homework is to be returned by the following Thursday morning. If your child is having difficulty completing this, please speak to the class teacher who will arrange for your child to complete it in school. We have homework clubs that run every day at break time.

Homework is a whole school policy and all children are expected to complete it every week. Your help with this is much appreciated.

We are all excited about the start term 2. We have lots of exciting events planned, so keep an eye out for updates.

We are always available on the gate before school and outside the Year 6 area after school, so please don't be shy in talking to us, even if it is just a short hello!

Our aim, as ever, is the best possible development for your child, so if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us.

For further details about this terms topic please visit:

<https://www.greenparkcps.co.uk/>

**Year 6 team.**

Our aim is to keep learning fun and exciting for all of the children in Year 6 therefore sometimes we will adapt and change our plans to suit their needs.