

English

To support our learning of the Aztecs we will be reading a book called *The Shawl*. We will base a number of writing tasks around the book, including descriptive writing, diary entries, interviews, drama and story writing. As part of our Power of Reading we have also chosen a popular text set in Cornwall, called *The Mousehole Cat*.

Maths

Children will be reinforcing their knowledge of place value.

They will also learn about measures, using mm, cm, m and km, g and kg and converting lengths. Children will also be solving problems and using their written methods for all four operations.

History

This term the children will look closely at who the Aztecs were and the time period in which they lived. We will investigate the building strategies of the Aztecs, daily life and how their society was organised, paying close attention to the ancient city of Tenochtitlan. We will also look at the beliefs of the Aztecs, including their wide variety of Gods. Finally we will investigate the demise of the Aztec empire.

Geography

Our Aztec unit will enable children to locate where the Aztecs lived on a map and to identify the geographical features of Mexico. Children will also investigate Mexico as a holiday destination, creating their own travel leaflets, showcasing the tourist industry of Mexico.

Music

We will be investigating traditional Aztec music and looking at the sounds of the rainforest.

Science

Our science topic will be on living things and their habitats, with a focus on tropical rainforests.

RE

We will be exploring why we should care for our world.

Year 4 Summer Term The Aztecs



Design and Technology

The Aztecs were great inventors. To follow in their footsteps we will be designing, making and evaluating an Aztec patolli board. To celebrate Aztec culture, we will make an Aztec meal for us all to enjoy!

Key Dates

- 26th May – Worsley Olympics (Sports Day)
- 16th June – Trip to the British Museum
- 7th July - Aztec Day

Art

Art will cover a broad range of skills used by the Aztecs. This will include weaving an Aztec artefact, creating an Aztec calendar and making a diorama representing an aspect of Aztec life.

PE

In preparation for Sports Day, the children will be practising and honing their skills in athletics. Activities will include, long jump, javelin, shot put, hurdling and running. Team games will also be practised with the Sport's Coaches.

ICT

The children will use computers to create an information book about the Aztecs. Using digital recording devices, we will also create an A-Z fun fact file about the Aztecs.

Spanish

Within Spanish we will cover towns, countries and celebrations with special interest to Central America.