



## Phoenix Class Summer Term

Welcome back, we hope you managed to have a relaxing Easter break.

In history we are going to be studying the magnificent Maya. We will be considering what Maya civilisation was like 1000 years ago with the help of Dr Diane Davies, who is an archaeologist and Maya expert. Dr Davies will be sharing her knowledge with the class through virtual sessions.

Our Geography focus is sustainability. We will learn about the environmental challenges our planet faces and about our role, as a global citizen, to help find solutions. We will question how we can live more sustainably and make the most of the Earth's resources in a responsible way.

English and Maths lessons will be taught daily and each day will begin with targeted work aimed at consolidating topics covered during home learning. English lessons will be based on a short film, 'Le Chaperon Rouge'; letter writing; and the book Kensuke's Kingdom, which will also link with our work on electricity and sustainability. In maths we will be focusing on ratio, statistics and geometry.

In the first week of the summer term, we will undertake a science week with a focused study of Classification. This will be followed by investigating the circulatory system of humans. In the final term, the children will be exploring electricity. Year 6 will also need to do a recovery lesson of the Year 5 Human development unit (including a puberty talk, which will hopefully be delivered by the school nurse.)

Our P.E. lessons will take place every Friday afternoon and the children will be going to the local pool for swimming lessons.

The government has decided that the KS2 SATs will not take place this year. However, your child will still be expected to read at least 5 times a week, *could you please sign their reading record each time they read at home.* The children will also be given maths homework every week as well as a spelling or grammar activity. All homework will be in the form of a booklet, which will be given out each Thursday and due back the following Tuesday. We are available to help at break times if your child needs support with any homework.

We are looking forward to working with your children again and thank you for your help and support. If you ever need to contact us please send an email, or leave a message with the office, and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Mrs Lowe, Mrs Howe and Mrs Pun