

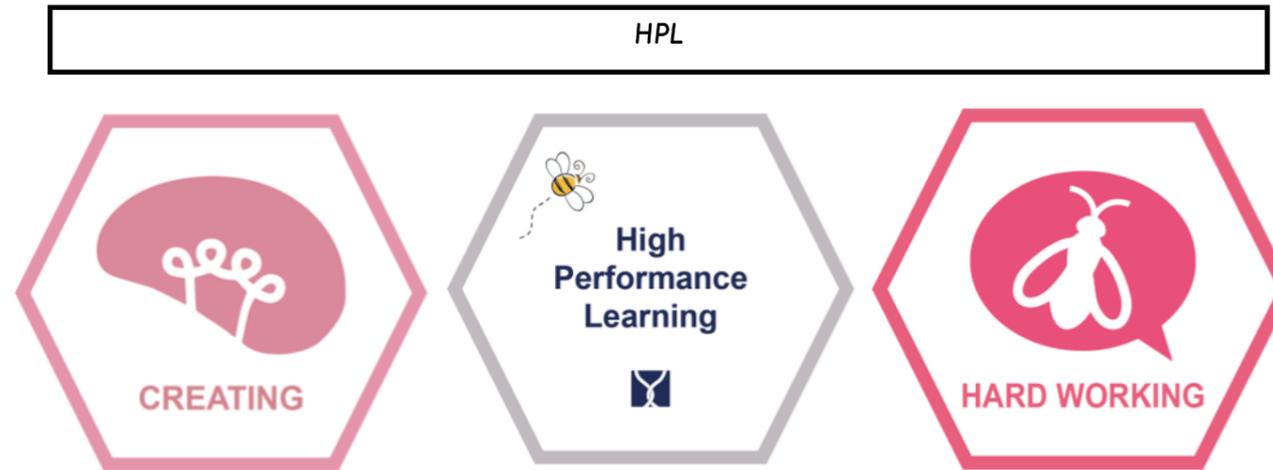
Have you got what it takes to become a Mexican chief?

As writers we will : As writers we will be embarking on a fantastic, new journey in order to sharpen our skills and build our confidence in writing. The Write Stuff Approach, created by Jane Considine, is a systematic approach that is based on two guiding principles; teaching sequences that slide between experience days and sentence stacking lessons. With modelling at the heart of them, the sentence stacking lessons are broken down into bite-sized chunks. Our first writing stimulus is Kensuke's Kingdom: we will go on a journey with the main character 'Michael' as he begins his sailing adventure around the world. We will consider how we can apply the lens from the writing rainbow to our writing, for example: repetition for effect, relative clauses and pathetic fallacy.

As mathematicians we will :

- ◆ Multiply by 10, 100 and 1000.
- ◆ Divide by multiples of 10, 100 and 1000.
- Find equivalent decimals as fractions
- Find equivalent fractions as decimals
- Multiply decimals
- Divide decimals
- Find percentages of amounts
- Use this knowledge to find missing amounts
- Convert fractions to percentages
- Find equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages.
- Solve problems involving fractions and percentages.
- Find and use a rule in Algebra
- Create our own formulae
- Solve algebraic equations

As Artists we will: improve our mastery of art skills and techniques by creating a dios de los meurtos mask. We will carefully select appropriate materials and design using bold colours for effect. We will then compare these to our partner and evaluate the effectiveness of their mask.



This half-term we will: explore the unique country of Mexico, from its towering temples and stunning geography, to its pulsing rhythms and fun packed festivals. We will discover the Ancient World of the mysterious Mayan civilization and look at all their curious rituals. We will listen to and watch performances of traditional Mexican music and celebrations.

In the classroom we will be concocting aspects of a traditional Mexican meal— hopefully it won't be too spicy! We will investigate how the Ancient Mayan's discovered and created chocolate! Culminating in an exciting digital presentation.

We will become innovative inventors and plan, design and create a Mexican mask!



As readers we will:

- Explore the features of our novel 'Rain Player' by David Wisniewski.
- Make inferences about a character's feelings, motives and intentions, justifying these inferences with evidence from the text.
- Compare themes across a range of text types.

As scientists we will: Explain how light travels, investigate how light refracts using a prism. We will use chromatography to investigate how light enables us to see colour. We will be able to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them. We will work scientifically!

As historians we will: research the cultural and musical traditions of the Ancient Mayan civilization. We will compare this to the present day.

As design and technologists we will: create and decorate a Mexican mask.

As users of technology we will: web map Ancient Mayan cities, street view Ancient Mayan landmarks and research Ancient Mayan writing systems.

As citizens' of the UAE we will: identify, explain and explore concepts of political leadership in the UAE.

GFS Curriculum Drivers linked to the National Agenda

Enterprise and Innovation	Eco and Environment	Inclusive Communities
As enterprising children We will Design a Mexico menu and cook one of these items for our families!	As people concerned with the environment we will look and the human and physical features of Mexico and consider how climate change has impacted them.	As members of a community we will interact with our Spanish speaking peers, asking them to teach us some of their incredible language.

Opportunities for Enrichment	
School	Home
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Create our own dios de los meurtos mask ◆ Create a Mexican menu 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit a Mexican restaurant • Learn some Spanish phrases