**How has conflict affected people in the past and present?**

History/Geography

Our focus this term is ‘The Ancient Mayans and The History of Chocolate’. We will begin by working out who the Mayans were, where they were located and why they were important. We will learn about Mayan culture- including Mayan gods. After half term, we will move on to understanding how the Mayans discovered chocolate, we will then look at the history of chocolate. In geography, we will look at where chocolate originated and how chocolate is different around the world. We will also learn about the conflict within chocolate production. We will learn what fair trade is and the impact this has on countries and people.

Maths

The children will cover the following topics this term.

Fractions, Decimals and percentages.

They will learn and develop these concepts through practical and written activities. We will also be covering many different topic areas as revision.

English

In English we will be studying the book ‘The Boy at the Back of the Class’. This will form the theme of our lessons, we will be writing letters, information texts and stories. We will also be reading parts of ‘The Unforgotten Coat’ and ‘The Day War Came’.

Science

We will be learning about living things and classification this term. This will include looking at different types of skeletons.

PE

The children will be learning basketball and we will also be taking part in forest schools.

Art

We will be learning about Mayan murals and hieroglyphics. We will also create our own pottery.

RE

This term in RE we will focus on ‘Food and Faith’ and ‘Joseph’.

PSHE

We will be learning about different stereotypes and what the word prejudice means. Both years four and five will be covering their relationship education this term. If you have any questions, please send me a message on seesaw.

French

We will be learning about holidays and hobbies.

DT

We will be making and cooking our own tortillas and experimenting with chocolate.

ICT/Computing

We will be creating different web pages and videos. The children will also become more familiar with PowerPoint. We will continue learning about internet safety and using the internet.

Music

We will be learning the clarinet with Mr Chalk.