



## Siberian Tiger's Homework Menu: Autumn 1<sup>st</sup> Half Term 2020

This half term our topic is *The Ancient Maya*

### Your homework tasks:

#### Every day:

- Reading
- Times tables practice
- Spellings

#### Weekly:

- Maths Weekly Skills Sheet

- **Reading:** please sign and date the reading diary to show that your child has read at home. All children who have at least 3 comments in their book across the week, will be entered into a Reading termly prize draw.
- **Times Tables:** please sign and date the reading diary to show that your child has practised the times tables through Times Tables Rockstars or another source. All children who have at least 3 comments in their book across the week, will be entered into a Maths termly prize draw.
- **Spellings:** the children will bring home spellings every Friday and will have a spelling test the following Friday. Spelling Frame (online) can be used for support.
- **Maths:** teachers will assign a weekly maths skills homework sheet that should be completed and handed in by Thursday each week, ready for marking on Friday.

### 10 Benefits of Homework:

- Homework teaches students about time management.
- Homework teaches students how to set priorities.
- Homework helps teachers determine how well the lessons are being understood by their students.
- Homework teaches students how to problem solve.
- Homework gives student another opportunity to review class material.
- Homework gives parents a chance to see what is being learned in school.
- Homework teaches students how to take responsibility for their part in the educational process.
- Homework teaches students that they may have to do things—even if they don't want to.
- Homework teaches students to work independently.
- Homework teaches students the importance of planning, staying organized, and taking-action.

### **Pick 'n' mix**

Choose 3 items from the sweets below to be handed in by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October or as soon as you have finished them. Well-presented homework will be displayed around our school and children who have completed 3 items will receive a special homework certificate! Parents will be able to view all work completed, in the school hall, on the last day of the half-term.

Read a book based on Maya Civilisation.

Design your own Maya God.

Create a scale model of a Maya Temple.

Create a fact file about the Maya.

Learn about chocolate-making. Could you design/create your own chocolate bar?

Create a presentation for the class about an aspect of Maya life that interests you.

### **Extra treats...**

#### **You could visit: (online if possible)**

- A History Museum

#### **You could read:**

- Middleworld
- The Great Kapok Tree
- The Chocolate Tree
- The Curse of the Maya (class book)

#### **Visit (websites) :**

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zq6svcw](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zq6svcw)

[www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/mayans](http://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/mayans)