



The Heights Primary School  
Year 4 Parent Planner: Autumn 2 Week 1

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you all had a lovely half term with your families and that children feel refreshed ready for the next seven and a bit weeks.

This week our themes are:  
**Guatemala and the Mayans**

English	The children will be reading the Mayan folktale 'The Chocolate Tree.' They will be retelling the story using key words and actions. They will be investigating obvious and inferred information about the characters. The children will act out a conversation between two characters and then write this dialogue using inverted commas and additional information.
Maths	The children will consolidate their use of formal written methods for addition including how to use these methods to solve problems. They will then begin to explore and practise formal written methods for subtraction.
Topic	The children will be learning about earthquakes and volcanoes and exploring why Guatemala is susceptible to both of these. In R.E. we will be beginning to look at creation stories. We will be discussing what we already know about the Mayans and are looking forward to our Mighty Maya Day next Monday when we will be exploring the lives of the Mayans through drama, songs and internet research.

Looking forward to chatting to you all at next week's parents' meetings.

Mrs Thomas