



Term 6

Cornerstones Showcase!

Year 6

Hola Mexico!



Suggested ideas

Find out about Mexico using information books and the internet and create a fact file. You might like to include Mexico's official name, its capital city, flag, location in the world, form of government, current president, population, geographical features, climate, natural resources, main religion, currency and the official language used by its people.

Find out about the ancient Maya civilisation using the internet or information books, then create an information poster about one area of the Maya civilisation that you have found interesting.

Mariachi music is a traditional genre of Mexican music. Find examples of mariachi music online to listen to. *Cielito Lindo* is a well-known mariachi song. Write a short paragraph to evaluate the genre and its distinguishing features, including the instruments played, the volume, pitch and tempo of the music and the mood created.

Mexican artist, Pedro Linares, created fantastical sculptures of creatures by combining animals in unusual ways, such as a donkey with butterfly wings or a cockerel with horns. He called these sculptures *alebrijes*. They are traditionally made from papier mâché. Draw or sculpt a unique *alebrije* using Mexican wildlife as inspiration.

Traditional Mexican food is enjoyed by people across the world. Work with an adult to find and then follow a simple recipe to prepare and cook a Mexican dish to enjoy with your family. You could try guacamole, enchiladas, tacos, fava bean soup or even churros for dessert. We would love to see your photos!

Mexico has a unique history, culture, art and festivals. Research a festival they celebrate in Mexico and create a 3D element which could be used in a parade.

As well as the academic Homework, including daily reading, that the children complete, we want to encourage and celebrate the children's creative side.

The children are encouraged to use their thinking hats to create a piece of Homework that we can share with the whole school community. They can pick from one of the suggested ideas or create an idea of their own.

All projects will be displayed in our Cornerstones Showcase at the end of term where the most popular exhibits

Deadline for entries: Monday 11th July 2022

