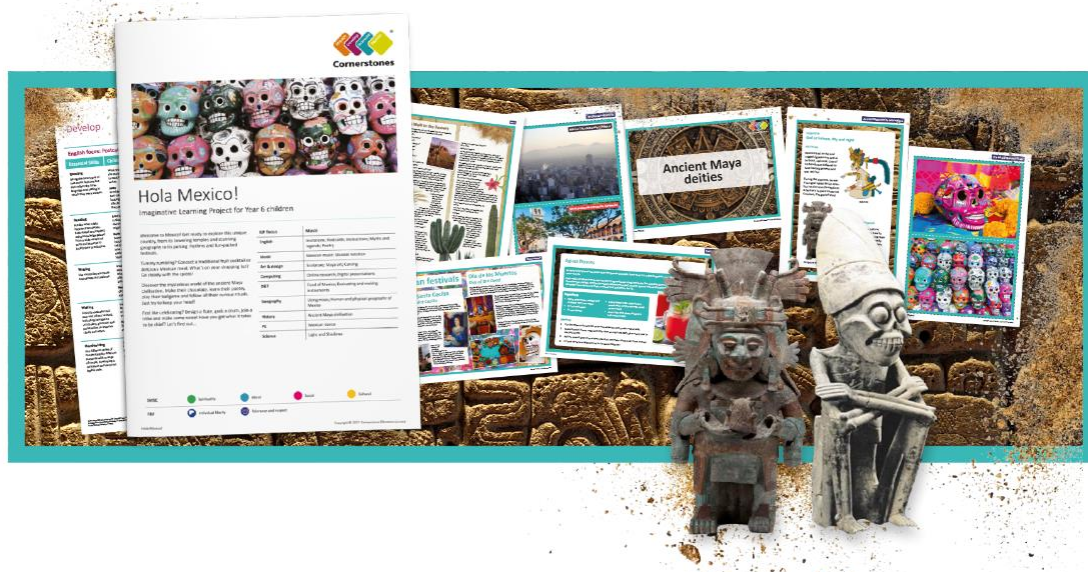


# Hola Mexico!



Bienvenido a Mexico! We're going to explore this unique country from its towering temples to its fun-packed festivals. During this half term we will listen to and explore traditional Mexican music and dance. We'll cool off by creating our own Mexican-party drinks. There will also be plenty of opportunities for food tasting, cooking, music-making and art challenges all linked to our Mexican theme.

Using maps, books and the internet to locate Mexico and explore its natural features such as the Chihuahuan desert. We'll discover what daily life is like and how it has changed over time. In History we'll learn all about the ancient Mayans: their hieroglyphics, gods and art.

At the end of this project we will hold a festival procession wearing self-made masks and singing the songs we have learnt. We will also serve up some of our food and drink creations!

<b>UNIT FOCUS</b>	Music, Design Technology, Geography
<b>English</b>	Narrative Fiction – warning story Poetry
<b>Music</b>	Mexican music, musical notation
<b>Art</b>	Day of the dead masks - sculpture
<b>Geography</b>	Mexico – physical and human geography, comparison to the UK
<b>DT</b>	Food and drink of Mexico
<b>History</b>	Ancient Mayan Civilisation
<b>PE</b>	Traditional Dance/Gymnastics
<b>Computing</b>	Online research and digital presentations
<b>Science</b>	Forces (unrelated to topic) Love to Investigate – What colour is a shadow?
<b>Relationships &amp; Health Education</b>	Keeping myself safe (unrelated to topic)
<b>RE</b>	Creation and Science: Conflicting or Complementary? (unrelated to topic)
<b>Maths</b>	Taught discretely

## Help your child prepare for their project

Mexico is a fascinating land full of music and celebration. Why not work together and use non-fiction books or online research to find out about the impressive landmarks of Mexico? You could also look at holiday brochures or websites to plan an imaginary trip to Mexico. Alternatively, you could sample Mexican food in a restaurant or at home.