











The Marist Primary School			Knowledge Organiser			
Year 6, Autumn – The Mayans			Key Question: How advanced were the Mayans for their time?			
Lesson 1 What is a civilisation?	Lesson 2 Where did the Ancient Maya settle and why?	Lesson 3 How did the Maya communicate?	Lesson 4 Can I explain how and who the Maya worshipped?	Lesson 5 What was the diet of the Maya and how did they use food?	Lesson 6 Can I explain how the Maya recorded time?	
Maya	The indigenous people of part of South America	 drought	A period of time when there is no rainfall so crops fail– can last for many years.	 civilisation	When a group of people live together in an organised way.	
 settlement	An area where a people or community set up a town/ village.	Mesoamerica	The name for this part of South America	 climate	The average temperature/ rainfall of an area.	
heirarchy	The order of a society	 religion	The belief system of a community	Codex	The writing Booklets created by The Maya	
 deforestation	Reduction of trees this can lead to soil erosion.	 society	An organised community system.	  city states	The organisation of the Maya civilization.	

