

Possible ways of helping your child with their work this term:

- Ensure all homework is completed and reading diaries are handed in.
- Visit the library if possible, to borrow books connected with our topics.
- Use the internet and visit websites to research about the topic areas.
- Visit places of interest connected with the work that your child is doing.

Useful websites:

<https://trockstars.com/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>

<https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/literacy.html>

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

<https://www.primarygames.com/math.php>

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Curriculum Information for Parents

Maple Class



Spring Term 2024

English

Our English work this term will be closely linked to our topic work about life in 1940s and 1960s Britain. We will begin by exploring a text set in WW2 and work to develop our descriptive fiction writing. The children will continue to work on developing the use of vocabulary for effect, structuring sentences and paragraphs, using dialogue, varying punctuation and using an increasing range of techniques to add detail to their writing. There will also be opportunities for poetry and letter writing linked to this text. As we begin to study the 1960s we will move onto reading 'Chocolate: from Bean to Bar' which will help us to write our own explanation texts linked to the production of chocolate.

As well as the daily English lesson, there will be spelling, handwriting and daily reading opportunities.

Mathematics

The children will begin the term by developing their understanding of multiplying and dividing by ten and one hundred before moving onto looking at decimals, in particular the composition of tenths and hundredths. They will develop their knowledge of multiplication and division and begin to use short multiplication and division techniques. The children will continue to work on developing their understanding of time, shape, perimeter, money and graphs throughout the term. They will also have a daily mental maths session in which essential facts will be revised and learned, such as number bonds and times tables facts up to and including twelve times twelve.

Science

This term we will be thinking about the 'Human Body'. We will be studying the function of the human skeleton in particular, as well as the importance of our teeth. We will learn how teeth can tell us about an animal's eating habits, the benefits of healthy eating as well as the digestive system. Wherever possible, these concepts will be explored using a practical and investigative way of working.

Humanities

Our topic this term is a history topic which focuses on a study of the changes from the 1940s to the 1960s. This topic gives us the opportunity to study the dramatic changes in art, science, fashion, and music during this fascinating time in British history.

P.S.H.E. (Personal, Social and Health Education)

This term we will be exploring 'Dreams and Goals' the children will think about their aspirations and goals, learn how to overcome challenges, be resilient and work as a team. We will then look at 'Healthy Me' a unit of work looking at ways we can improve our own physical and mental health.

Music

During this term we are looking at 'Pitch' we will be working as a class choir to develop our confidence when singing, learning ways to warm up our voices and sing in 2 parts. We will also be exploring pitch on instruments and using glockenspiels to create our own melodies and read melodies from notation.

Art and Design

This term our art will focus upon creating a piece of artwork inspired by Paul Nash. The children will improve their drawing and painting skills by exploring grades of pencil to draw different shapes and begin to add the third dimension. They will then be introduced to watercolour paints and produce a colour wash for their backgrounds.

Design Technology

This term the focus will be on food technology. The children will explore a range of chocolate products, experiment with flavour and texture combinations before designing and creating their own chocolates.

R.E.

This term the children will be exploring what is the 'Trinity' and why is it important for Christians before moving on to explore what Pentecost means to Christians today.

Computing

The children will focus this term on developing their research, word processing, and collaborative working skills whilst learning how web pages and web sites are created. They will explore how to change layouts, embed images and create links between pages.

P.E

This term the P.E. lessons will be focusing on hockey, gymnastics and swimming. The children will develop their tackling and defending skills, learn how to create a variety of balances and gymnastic sequences as well as work in a team.