

Maple Autumn 1 News Letter

Topics for this half term include:
Facts about The Stone Age to Iron Age.

Language:

The first part of this term children will link their Literacy to their topic on The Stone Age to Iron age. We will be looking at the story of Stone Age Boy and creating pieces of narrative writing. We will also be doing non-fiction writing which involves learning how to identify features of instructions with a view to creating our own.

Children are to also be sent home the spelling patterns taught during this half term on a fortnightly basis for year three.

Numeracy

Children will learn to identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations. Find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number. They will also recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number. The children will also know how to read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and words and later on add and subtract numbers mentally, including a three-digit number and ones; a three-digit number and tens and a three-digit number and hundreds.

History

Our topic for this half term is The Stone Age to Iron Age. The children will learn about the Stone age and develop a secure knowledge and understanding of British local and world history. They will learn to ask historically valid questions about change, cause, similarity and difference. They will consider life in the stone age and how it compares to life today.

Art & Design Technology: This will involve cross curricular links with our Literacy topic. Children will through sketching, use a variety of techniques to shade and create artwork linked to The Stone Age.

Computing: We will look at e-safety and the importance of staying safe when using the internet as well as learning how to use coding.

Music: will be taught by County Music, children will be taught the fife and progress to the flute this year.

PHSE: The theme this term is New Beginnings. The theme offers children the opportunity to see themselves as valued individuals within a community and to contribute to shaping a welcoming, safe and fair learning community for all. They will also explore feelings of happiness, excitement, sadness, anxiety and fearfulness.

PE: Maple will have weekly swimming lessons. This term they will participate in games involving ball skills learning how to develop their throwing and catching.

RE: This unit is based on learning about 'The Gospel'. Children will learn about the Gospel which tells the story of the life of Jesus. They will learn to make links between the calling of the first disciples and how Christians today try to follow Jesus and be fishers of people.

Science: We will focus on the topic Forces and Magnets. They will compare how things move on different surfaces and recognise that some forces need contact between two objects. They will also learn how to compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are magnetic.

Notices:

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit in school (outdoor) and that they take out their earrings or have plasters to cover them.

Swimming will be on Wednesday afternoons. Please make sure that your child has their swimming kit in school?

Reading journals will be checked on Thursdays. Please ensure that they are in school so that they can be checked, even if their book does not need to be changed. Children will need to write in their journals about the book they are reading - what it is about, what they are enjoying about the story or not enjoying.

If children would like tuck at break-time the cost is 20p a day. The children need to bring in a pound on Monday mornings for the week in a named envelope please.

Thank you for your continued support.