

Welcome to Maple Class

Happy New Year!

Welcome to Year 1 and 2 where we focus on an exciting, hands-on approach to learning.

Our class teachers are:

Miss Smith – Monday to Wednesday

Mrs Yates – Thursday and Friday

Our teaching assistants are:

Mrs Toms

Mrs Bradley

A typical day for us looks like:

8:50 – 9:00 Register

9:00-9:30 Phonics and spellings

9:30-10:30 Maths and Guided Reading

Playtime

10:45-12:00 Handwriting and English

Lunch

1:00-2:20 Foundation subjects

Playtime

2:30-3:00 Assembly

3:00-3:20 Story

Please bring a water bottle and snack or snack money to school every day.

Homework will be sent home on a Thursday and needs to be returned the following Wednesday.

<p>English: We shall be reading and exploring the text The secret of Black Rock by Jor Todd-Stanton, retelling this and writing a diary entry.</p> <p>We will then read A river by Marc Martin and write our own circular narrative and letter.</p>	<p>Maths: Year 1 – Place value within 20 and addition and subtraction within 20.</p> <p>Year 2 – Money and Multiplication and division.</p>	<p>Phonics: Year 1 – begin phase 5.</p> <p>Year 2 – begin bridge to spelling</p>
<p>Science: We shall begin by matching plants and animals to their habitat and discuss ways in which their habitat is used.</p> <p>We are going to investigate life cycles and look at what animals need to survive.</p>	<p>Maple Class</p>  <p>Spring Term</p>	<p>Art/DT: We shall be focussing on the artist Wassily Kandinsky and using some of his ideas to create our own pieces.</p> <p>In DT we will be making puppets.</p>
<p>Computing: We will begin the term with online safety and then look at developing our keyboard and mouse skills. We will then name some computer peripherals and their functions and look at different forms or technology.</p>	<p>PE: PE is taught on a Monday and Thursday. Please send in PE kits on a Monday.</p> <p>We will be developing our skills with a racket and ball.</p> <p>We shall be exploring different shapes and rolls during gymnastics.</p>	<p>Topic: We will be focusing on how school was different in the past.</p> <p>We shall be exploring what the weather is like in the UK.</p>
<p>Music: We shall be experimenting with instruments.</p>	<p>RE: We will be focusing on right and wrong and marking key events.</p>	<p>PSHE/MyHappyMind: We will be exploring what helps us the stay healthy and what we can do with money.</p> <p>We shall be looking into appreciate and ways which we can show this.</p>

Useful links

www.topmarks.co.uk Lots of maths and English games here, check out 'Hit the button'.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/> Online books for children to read.

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk> Children can read about the world of animals and find facts out. A useful website to help develop children's understanding of nonfiction texts.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freelIndex.htm> Phonics games for children to use to practise new phonemes and graphemes.

<http://www.ictgames.com/> Many Maths games, for all ages.

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/1-minute-maths> An app to download to practise mental maths skills.

Our Class Promises

We try our best.

We are kind to everybody.

We listen when people are speaking.

We are polite.

We have fun!

If you have any questions then please speak to me before or after school. Alternatively, send me an email:

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