

Class Maple

Spring Term Newsletter

2024



Welcome back!

We would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year. We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and spent some quality time with the family. Thank you again for the cards and gifts we received – it was very generous of you. We hope the children are recharged and ready for the new term. It is a short half term, but lots of exciting learning to take place.

Staff Update

Ms Reeves and Mrs Smyrka will be working in Class Willow from the start of the Spring Term, so it will be Mrs Garness and I in Class Maple moving forward. Mrs Smith will continue to teach on a Thursday morning when I am out of class.

Spring Curriculum Details

English

This half term we will be writing to entertain linked to the following two books: 'Boa's Bad Birthday' written by Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross and 'Tell me a Dragon' by Jackie Morris.

Maths

Over the Spring term we will be covering the following in Maths:

Year 1 – Place Value (within 50), Addition and Subtraction (within 20) and Measurement (Length, height, mass and volume)

Year 2 – Finishing our Shape topic, Money, Multiplication and Division and Measurement (Length, height, mass, capacity and volume)

Phonics

The children will continue to be divided up into smaller groups for their phonics sessions. A reminder that a list of words will be sent home to practise from the book the children are learning from each week.

History

We will be learning about the Great Fire of London in history. Year will have an opportunity to go deeper with their learning.

Science

This half term we will be learning about different materials and their properties. We will also be carrying out investigations with a variety materials too.

PE

PE will be on a **Wednesday and Thursday** for the Spring term. Please ensure the children are dressed accordingly in PE kit on these given days. Plain black hoodies and joggers only please.

Art

We will be painting in range of ways, exploring colour mixing. The children will also be creating their own Great Fire of London paintings.

Music

We will be learning different styles of music following the Charanga scheme from Severn Arts. We will be learning about Pitch and notation and performing as a class.

PSHE

In PSHE the children will be discussing ways to keep themselves safe in a variety of concepts, including online and with strangers.

Home Learning

Reading: It is important to listen to your child read at home daily. Please make sure a comment is written in the Reading Record so we can keep track.

Times Tables: Our Multiplication Mountain sessions are very popular in school and the children are making good progress. Please continue to support your child in preparing for their test each Friday. Year 2 should all now have logins to TTRockstars to practise their tables. Year 1 will continue with number bonds up to 20.

Spelling: Children will have a list of spellings sent home from Phonics lessons. This is extra practise to help with spelling. Please encourage the children to write out the spellings in their neatest handwriting.

Other Reminders

- Named water bottles must be in school each day.
- Please remember that lunches must be ordered in advance using ParentPay.
- Class Dojo will continue to be used as a reward and behaviour system across the school; the rewards and sanctions are linked to our school values.

Should you need to contact me, please catch me before or after school or message me by emailing the office office@martley-pri.worcs.sch.uk. Miss. Owen or Mrs. Lewis will ensure the message comes to me.

Thank you for your continued support to your children's education at Martley.

Mr Clement

(Maple Class Teacher)

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(Maple Class Teaching Assistant)

