

Rowan and Maple - Spring 2 Curriculum Newsletter

English

Our English lessons for this half term will focus on the book *'When the giant stirred.'* The children will be building up their writing skills to write their own version of this story from the perspective of the boy in the story. This text will help the children broaden their use of sentence structures.

For our guided reading lessons, we will be using a range of literature and poetry. The class book, which will also form part of the guided reading lessons, is called *'The Explorer.'*

History

In History this half term, the children will be learning about railways. The children will learn about the impact of the industrial revolution and how it has shaped the lives that we live in today's world.

DT

This half term the children will be learning how to create their own nightlight. They will be utilising what they learn in Science to create their own electrical circuit.

PSHE

The focus this term will be on relationships. The children will learn the importance of developing positive relationships in each area of their life. We will explore how friendships are formed and maintained, and the qualities of a good friend.

Music

This half term, the children will be learning about what structure means in a piece of music, how to find the beat in a song, and how to identify the pitch in a piece of music.

Computing

The children will be learning how to research and communicate safely and effectively online.

Maths

In Maths this half term, the Year 3 children will continue their learning of fractions. They will then recap and complete the unit on multiplication and division.

The Year 4 children will be continuing their learning of fractions. They will then move on to learning about decimals.

Science

In Science, the children will be learning about electricity. The children will explore how to create a complete circuit and will then use their knowledge to create their own circuits.

PE

This half term, the children will have their lessons on **Monday** and **Thursday** afternoons. The focus on Mondays will be on Kwik Cricket. On Thursday, the children will learn how to create gymnastic sequences.

RE

In RE, the children will be focussing on the Easter story. The children will learn about what salvation means and also how Christians celebrate Easter.

French

Y3 – Hobbies and pets

Y4 – How I look

Home support

Times Table Rockstars – Each child has been given a login.

Spelling Shed – Online spelling platform. Spellings tested on **Thursday** mornings. The logins are in your child's reading diary.