# Maple Class Autumn Curriculum Newsletter

### English

Maple will be writing narrative poems about water inspired by the classic poem Hiawatha; writing recounts and letters whilst studying Seal Surfer; and writing persuasively using the book The Big Blue Whale as inspiration.

### Science

Maple will be learning about what sound is and how it can be changed;. In the second part of the term, they will be learning about States of Matter.

### History

Maple will be learning about the importance of Shropshire during the Industrial Revolution, especially with regard to the work of Thomas Telford and Abraham Darby. They will investigate significant structures such as the Iron Bridge, the Ellesmere Canal and the Shrewsbury Flaxmill.

### Music

Music this year will be taught by a visiting teacher from Shropshire Music Service. Year 4 and 5 will learn how singing can be combined with play. Both year groups will have separate whole year group lessons using the recorder or DooD (Year 5).

### Maths

This term children will be working on place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and fractions using White Rose Maths.

# Religious Education

Maple will be answering the question, how and why do people try to make the world a better place? After half-term, Maple will be studying what the Trinity is to Christians.

### Art

Maple will be drawing and making 3D representations of their drawings inspired by Maurice Sendak.

#### P.E

Maple will be taking part in dance and dodgeball with Mr Harris, as well as football and fitness with Mr Andrews this term. PE will be held on Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

# Computing

In computing, Maple will be learning about online safety and communication. After half-term, they will be learning about stop motion animation and making their own films.

# Home support

Parents and carers should listen to their child read aloud daily for 10 to 15 minutes. Please do use the reading record to note when this has happened and to encourage your child to complete books quickly. Children are expected to practise weekly spellings, which will be posted to the class pages on the website. Also, it is very important that children practise their times tables through the year.

## Welcome to Maple Class!

Mr Harris, Mrs Law and Miss Owen would like to say a big, "HELLO!" to everyone returning to school this term or is new to the class. If you have not met the team yet, or if there is anything worrying you, please do not hesitate in dropping in at the end of the school day. Alternatively, contact us via the office and we will get back to you.