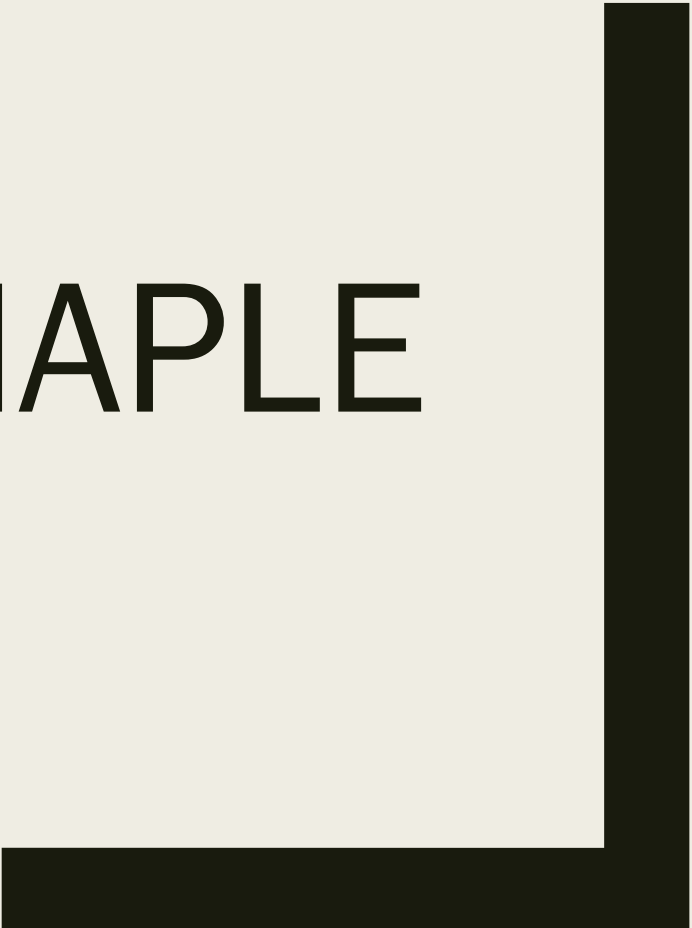




# WELCOME TO MAPLE

2021-2022



# Staff in Maple

- Mr Ledger – Class teacher (Monday to Friday).
- Mrs Northover (Teacher training)
- Miss Cross (part time)
- Mrs Franklin Teaching Assistant (part time)

# Timetable and PE

- We will be doing PE and Forest School on a Friday.
- Biking will be on a Monday, starting this term with Year 5 – please have PE kit on and appropriate outdoor navy tracksuits (especially now the weather will begin to change).
- English and Maths occur daily, with SPAG groups also taking place everyday.
- When we do Forest School in year groups, it will be on a Friday, whilst the children are already dressed in their PE kit.

# Curriculum Journal

- We are continuing a cross-curricular approach to our lessons this year, with a focus on subject knowledge and breadth.
- This will mean that the children will complete a lot of their learning in one book; a curriculum journal.
- This will include our English writing, History / Geography and Science.
- Using, 'Street Child' as our focus this term.
- Our curriculum plans are available on our website if you wish to look.
- Maths and RE will still be taught separately.
- Reading daily.

# Expectations

- Naturally now that the children are older there is an increased focus on depth and detail in the children's writing, understanding and a deeper level of comprehension with the texts they are reading and application of their mathematical knowledge to harder problems.
- The children must know their times tables and know some strategies to help them use the four operations to solve different problems.
- The more help and support you can provide at home in these areas, the better!

# HOMEWORK (online)

- The children will be set online weekly spellings and mathematics each week.
- Occasionally an additional piece of maths / English may be set.
- This will be set on a MONDAY and will be due in the following Monday.
- The children are expected to read for 30 minutes every night, using their chosen banded book.
- We are currently completing these reading assessments this week.

# Reading

- As continued from the last two years, we are no longer 'Free Reading' (Whole School Approach)
- All children have been assessed since we have been back to identify their reading age, dependent on the mechanics, fluency and speed of reading.
- We have correspondingly organised all of our school books to line up with these reading ages as well.
- Your child will now take home and read a book based on their assessed score. They can choose books which match their age.
- We will re-assess the children regularly, so if they move up, they can change their book.

# Reading

- Once they have read a number of books at their level, they will be assessed in class, and if we feel it is right, we will move them up to a new band.
- We will have a much better and more accurate picture of how your child is reading and reading will be more personally tailored to each child.
- They are still welcome to read other books whenever they would like, but the 30 minutes a night must be with their banded book, which they will have chosen.



# SATS – YEAR 6

- The children are assessed at the end of their primary education on how well they have progressed in reading, writing, maths and spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG).
- You will receive more information in due course.
- The dates are below:
  
- **KS2 SATs Dates 2022 – SATs Week 2022**
- **Monday May 9th 2022:** Spelling, punctuation and grammar (Grammar/Punctuation Test) – 45 minutes
- **Monday May 9th 2022:** Spelling, punctuation and grammar (Spelling Test) – 20 minutes
- **Tuesday May 10th 2022:** Reading Test – 60 minutes
- **Wednesday May 11th 2022:** Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) – 30 minutes
- **Wednesday May 11th 2022:** Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning) – 40 minutes
- **Thursday May 12th 2022:** Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) – 40 minutes