

Welcome to Summer Term 2 in Maple Class (Year5/6)! This half term the children will be starting their topic of 'The Great, the Bold and the Brave. We will be learning about how the Romans changed Britain. In Science, the children will be continuing to learn about 'Animals including humans' looking at our major organs, systems that work inside us and how blood works. The children will also be going to the Science Museum to deepen their understanding.

Children will also continue with their Maths fluency, spelling, handwriting and grammar lessons to help them practice the skills they need to access this new and exciting curriculum. Please encourage your child to read daily and to record their comments in their reading records each week.

As always if you have any questions, please see us on the playground every day or email us to schedule an appointment! Please also ensure that their weekly homework is completed and handed in so it can be marked. Thank you for your cooperation!

**Summer 2 2018- This half term KS2 (Y5) will be learning about the following topics:**

<b>English</b>	In year 5 the children will be basing all of their learning on the classic text 'The Tempest'. They will be creating diary entries, character descriptions and persuasive writing to develop their writing. Through speaking and listening, the children will be bringing the text to life, ensuring that they understand the text.
<b>Reading Records</b>	Since the beginning of the year the children have been bringing home a book from the book corner every day. Each day we record who has written in and handed in their reading records. Please read and discuss the book with your child and ensure that it is returned each day. The reading books will be changed for Willow, on Fridays, Maple on Mondays and Hazel on Tuesdays. Rewards will be given to children for fantastic, in-depth comments.
<b>Spelling, punctuation and grammar</b>	This term, the children will be learning how to use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely. They will also be learning how to select appropriate grammar and vocabulary to enhance their writing. <u>They will still be given weekly spelling homework in order to keep up their skills.</u>
<b>Maths</b>	In Maths children will begin the term by looking at the 4 calculations, especially long division and long multiplication, and ensuring that they can successfully identify which calculation they have to use and when in multi-step problems. We will then be moving on to solving integer scaling problems e.g. Change this recipe for 4 people to a recipe for 12 people, for 6 people etc. (in preparation for ratio in Year 6), fractions, percentages and decimals.
<b>Science</b>	In Science we will be looking Animals including humans. This half term the children will be examining the different stages of life and describing the changes that happen to us over time. They will also be exploring inside the body, looking at the major organs and their functions and the different systems that work inside us. We will look closely at the heart and how it works in our bodies. Lastly, the children will look at the different effects diet, exercise and in year 6 different substances such as drugs and alcohol and how they affect our bodies.
<b>Computing</b>	The children will be embedding their computing curriculum into their learning this half term, concentrating on using the internet to research and present their ideas in both Topic and Science lessons. The children will also be formatting some of their writing using Microsoft word and becoming used to typing as we believe this is a key skill that will prepare them well for secondary school.
<b>IPC</b>	This half term children will be starting their topic of 'The Great the Bold and the Brave. We will be learning about how the Romans changed Britain.
<b>Art</b>	In art this half term the children will be learning how to improve their mastery of art and design techniques. They will have opportunities to use various medium including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials [for example, pencil, paint, clay].
<b>P.E.</b>	On Monday the children will be taking part in swimming lessons at STAC in the afternoon so please ensure they are fully prepared each week. It is a government expectation now that every child by the end of year 6 can confidently swim 25m and we would like to ensure that your child gets this opportunity. They will need their swimming costumes, towel and swimming hat. Please label the items and bring them in a bag each week.
<b>Music</b>	Children will take part in weekly Brass lessons on Thursday.
<b>R.E.</b>	This term our topic will be Islam and we will be learning all about the different traditions and beliefs regarding this religion.

P.S.H.E. & Citizenship	This term our focus will be all about transition. The children will be reflecting on their primary school experience and discussing their worries and concerns about moving on.
Homework	This term the children will be expected to complete and return their weekly homework by <b>Wednesday</b> each week. We want each child to be focused on completing their homework to a high standard and also discussing their homework with their parent(s)/carer(s) each week . They will also have weekly spellings and online Mathletics homework to complete!
Key dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June: Children return to school at 8.55am</b></li> <li>• <b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June: 20 year 6 children take part in Knife Crime workshop</b></li> <li>• <b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June: 19 children take part in Knife crime workshop</b></li> <li>• <b>KS2 Trip to Royal Festival Hall</b></li> <li>• <b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June: Maths home learning project due in.</b></li> <li>• <b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June: Maple parent’s lunch.</b></li> <li>• <b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Father’s Day breakfast at 9.00am in lower hall.</b></li> <li>• <b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June: Year 6 Road safety workshop</b></li> <li>• <b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June; Year 6 dress rehearsal to school</b></li> <li>• <b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June: Year 6 show- Oliver Twist at 6pm</b></li> <li>• <b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June: Year 6 show- Oliver Twist at 6pm</b></li> <li>• <b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June: Summer Fair</b></li> <li>• <b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July: Year 6 children PGL trip for 5 days.</b></li> <li>• <b>Book Fair at Hollydale open from 8.30am- 9am and 3.30- 4pm</b></li> <li>• <b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July: Arts week to begin</b></li> <li>• <b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July: Multi-Story Orchestra performance at the Bold Tendencies Car Park, Peckham</b></li> <li>• <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July: End of year reports to be sent home</b></li> <li>• <b>Year 6 trip to Dulwich cinema</b></li> <li>• <b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July: SPORTS DAY</b></li> <li>• <b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 Graduation Ceremony, time TBC.</b></li> <li>• <b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July: Transition day (children to go to their new classes)</b></li> <li>• <b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July: Last day of term! School closes at 2pm.</b></li> </ul>

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to come and see the KS2 team. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

**KS2 Team**

Maple Class – Ms Thebe, Ms Mustafa

Willow Class- Miss Upton, Mr Porter

Hazel Class- Ms Fredua, Ms Brown