



Maple Class Spring 2018



Dear Parent/ Carer,

I would like to take this opportunity to say how much I am looking forward to being part of the Donington Cowley Endowed Primary School community and teaching Maple class whilst Mrs Woodlock is on maternity leave. If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything then please do not hesitate to come and speak to me.

Study Overview

Our topic for the spring term is 'Ancient Egypt'. In history we will be focusing on everything from Egyptian daily life to the process of mummification and hieroglyphics. In geography we will focus our studies on the human and physical geography of the river Nile and how crucial it was to ancient Egyptian society. If your child would like to bring in any books, pictures, artefacts etc. on our topic they would be most welcome.



In science we will be investigating Space, including the Earth, Sun, Moon and all of the planets in our solar system.

Mrs Kitt will be teaching the children ICT every Thursday and will be building on the children's existing skills, starting with coding.

In RE the children will learn about Hinduism. We will focus on Hindu beliefs and worship.

The children will need their PE kit, both indoor and outdoor, on Tuesdays and Fridays each week when we will be developing skills in Sport and Dance.

On Tuesday afternoon the children will be taught Music or Art by Mrs Skanski-Such.

Useful Information

Homework and spellings will be issued each Friday and homework will be due the following Thursday. However, children may choose to hand in their homework early. House points will be given for imagination, neatness and overall effort. Unfortunately, children who do not hand in homework will be required to complete it in their break time to avoid falling behind their classmates.

Spellings will be tested on a Monday and any misspelt words will be sent home and retested each day.

I would appreciate your help and support in encouraging your child to read at least 3 times a week at home and recording this in their home reading diaries.



This could be a chapter or a few pages at a time. The children must bring in their home reading book each day as they will be reading it in class during independent reading sessions.

Times tables will be tested weekly. It is hugely important that children learn their times tables as they are the root to understanding so many different areas of mathematics. By the end of Year 4 it is expected that children are able to recall multiplication facts up to 12×12 . Children in Year 5 will be expected to consistently know and apply their multiplication facts.

Our class assembly will take place on Friday 16th March. Everyone is welcome. The start time is 2:45pm.

Children are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack for playtime. A piece of fruit or a plain biscuit is recommended.

I am always happy to discuss any matters concerning your child and am available to speak to briefly in the playground at the end of the day or for longer/ confidential appointments after school by appointment. Please either speak to me directly or contact the office to arrange this.

Kind regards

Miss H Winfield (Class Teacher)

Miss Hockin (Teaching Assistant)