

TOPIC UMBRELLA

CLASS: Maple (Year 3) **TERM:** Whitsun

Hello and welcome back. I hope you have had a lovely Easter and are ready for the new term ahead. With weekly visits to Archway, a school trip and an enrichment week, we certainly have a busy term ahead!

Our topic this term is Ancient Britain. We will be learning about Britain from the prehistoric era through the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We will be looking at how Britain changed during these different time periods and how this shaped Britain as we know it today.

MyMaths homework will continue to be set weekly on Fridays. If your child has any issue completing this at home, please see do come and see me.

Our PE lessons will be on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Please make sure that your child has their full PE kit in school at all times.



SCIENCE:

Rocks and Soils - we will be comparing and grouping different types of rocks, investigating how fossils are formed and understanding how soil is made and what it is made from.

Maths:

Fractions - We will start off by revisiting fractions with a focus on exploring equivalent fractions and comparing fractions.

Geometry - we will also be recapping our recent work on 2D and 3D shapes before exploring angles in more detail. We will learn what a right angle is and how to measure it.

Calculation Revision - we will continue to revisit calculation skills for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

RE:

Hinduism - Key Question - What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?

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ENGLISH:

Persuasive Writing - we are going to explore persuasive writing. We will then use this to write persuasive letters and adverts linked to our next enrichment week.

Portal Stories - to finish our work on portal stories we will be planning our own story which contains a portal to transport us to another world...

Newspaper Reports - we will then be using fairy tale stories as a basis for writing our own newspaper reports.

PE:

Tennis - we will be practicing our control of a tennis racket and learning how to hit a ball accurately. We will then apply these skills to playing a game where we need to serve and maintain a rally with a partner.

Rounders - we will learn the rules and tactics involved with the game before playing our own modified games.

Design Technology:

Woodwork and cooking - We will be continuing to walk to Archway each week. There we will be working in two groups, half doing wood work and half doing cooking. In the wood work sessions we will be creating clothes pegs linked to Stone Age things. In the cooking group we will be making a variety of simple recipes that can be copied at home.

History:

Prehistoric, Stone Age to Iron Age - Key Question:

How have discoveries from the Stone Age through to the Iron Age improved our lives today?

We will explore changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age and discover the major prehistoric achievements during these times and the impact they had upon the modern day.

Computing:

Presenting Information - we will be using our ICT skills across the curriculum to create publications and presentations containing information that we have researched.

Art:

Cave Paintings - we will be looking at the materials people used to create pictures in the past and the stories they told through pictures, before trying to create some of our own, using modern day materials.

