

Maple Group Update

Dear Parent,

In this flyer you will find information about some of the topics we will be working on this term, and ways in which you can support their learning at home.

Our topic this term is **Countries around the World**.

What we will do in school...

What you could do together at home...

Topic

We will look at the four countries which make up the British Isles. We will begin by exploring our local area. We will look at the capital cities and explore some of the Landmarks and attractions.

Identify the landmarks as you drive around the local area. Talk about the food, customs and national landmarks in the British Isles. Watch nature programme which concentrate on the wildlife of England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland.

Literacy

We will be reading fiction stories this term, based on Traditional Tales. We will be describing the characters, sequencing each story and saying why we like the story.

Write in your child's home-school book to let us know what they have done over the weekend.

Ask your child to recount the story they are listening to. The story changes every fortnight. Can they tell you which part of the story was the best and give their reasons why?

Art

We will be making our own models and pictures using different media to illustrate the stories we are studying or to recreate some famous landmarks.

Look at maps. Discuss where people live.

Science

We will be looking at Materials and classifying them as Natural or Manmade. We will look at some of their properties.

Encourage your child to look at the materials that everyday items are made of.

Maths

We are focusing on numbers up to 100. Ordering numbers and recognising number sequences. We are solving money problems and investigating Fractions.

Ask your child to count on from a given number in ones/ twos/tens.

Allow opportunities for your child to make up amounts of money using different coins.

Talk about halves and quarters of "things"