



Autumn Term

Maple Class- Y6 Topic Letter



September 2023

- WELCOME -
BACK TO SCHOOL

We are delighted to welcome all of the children back to school this week. Here is an outline of what the children's topics will be during the Autumn Term in Y6.

Literacy

In Literacy, we will begin our first 'Talk for Writing' unit of work in which the children will be composing their own piece of fictional writing. We will unpick and explore a model text and focus on developing the children's ability to elaborate in their writing with confidence. In particular, will be work on improving the children's use of dialogue within their narrative writing. Throughout the week, the children will also work within smaller reading groups to develop their comprehension skills, using deduction and inference to find supporting evidence for their answers.

Mathematics

In Maths, the first area we will focus on will be Place Value as well as revisiting the children's written calculation methods. We will work on building fluency, reasoning and problem solving throughout our lessons. Another important focus will be on developing the children's speed of recall of timetables. Please continue to encourage them to practise lots at home!

Other topics this half term:

Geography: Mapping skills/Orienteering

History: Ancient Greece

Art: Autumn Sketching

RE: Christianity

Computing: Digital Footprint

PSHE: Resilience

Music: Clarinets

PE: Fundamental skills and Tennis

Our PE days will be **Wednesday and Friday**, please remember that the children are now to arrive at school in their PE Kit. They will not get changed so no uniform is required.

Science

This term the children's Science topic will be 'Living Things and Their Habitats'.

Throughout the topic the children will build on their ability to sort and classify, make scientific observations and draw conclusions from their findings.

Class Dojo

Please sign up to Class Dojo—this is our main method of communication with parents/carers. This week you will receive an invitation, via text message or email, to log in if you aren't already signed up!

School Meals

Please remember you can order your child's school lunch at home in advance using our School Grid ordering system. Please ask Mrs Jackson in the school office if you're unsure how to do so.

Important High School Information

The closing date for secondary school admissions is **31ST OCTOBER 2023**. This is done through www.sefton.gov.uk School Admissions page and must be completed by parents/carers. If you are unable to do this at home, you are welcome to book an appointment to meet our Parent Support Advisor Mrs McGregor who will be happy to help! More information to follow this week regarding open days.

Homework

In Year 6, the children are expected to read at least 3x a week at home. This can be a mix of both reading independently, as well as out loud to an adult before discussing what they've read.

In addition to this, the children will be given weekly spellings to learn. These will be handed out and collected back in every Monday.

The children can also access activities at home on Education City and TT Rockstars at any time.

Log-in information will be sent out this week.