Geography

Our theme this term is 'Around the World in 80 Days'. Our focus within this unit will be to find out about some of the different countries Phileas Fogg visited. We will be developing our atlas and map skills, recognising how we fit within the UK.

Science

This term we are continuing to explore Living things, although our focus is mostly plants. We have already begun to grow some seeds which we are measuring and observing. If they survive that long we are hoping to find out which seeds grow into which plants. We are also finding out about the parts of a plant and how they can be different, e.g. root and leaf shape, size and colour of flowers.

RE

Our themes this term will be:

'Specialness' - Special books - The Bible and The Torah.

We have begun to share our own special books and how The Bible is special to Christians. We will then be finding out how The Torah is special to Jews.

'Belonging' - Christians in church / Jewish people in a synagogue

We will be looking at how Christians and Jewish people feel about their places of worship and the groups we belong to.

Computing

The children regularly have the chance to play games to support their learning. This term we will begin to learn a new program called Code It. We will also be continuing to explore Dance mat typing and developing our skills with Google Earth.



Maple Class Summer term 2017

Welcome back to another new term. We are very lucky to have Miss Dundas and Miss Chilcott working with us for most of the term. Feel free to catch up with us with any queries or concerns. Kind regards, Mrs Price

English

We will be continuing to developing our use of punctuation and conjunctions in our writing, retelling 'The Flower' book from the character's viewpoint, before using it as a stimulus for poetry and instructional writing.

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Premier Sport will be leading PE on a Tuesday with a focus on Rounders and Athletics. Other class PE will take place on a Wednesday afternoon. Miss Chilcott is a dance teacher so we will be having a dance unit before preparing for sports day.

Maths

In line with the Primary Framework we will be further developing number and calculation strategies. We will be continue to explore our four rules, ensuring we can recognise and use the different words for + - \times \div . We will be building on our fraction skills, with lots of hands on activities, splitting into ½ or ¼, before extending to $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$. We are also starting to use the correct units to measure liquid, weight and length. Please keep up the practise of your counting on and back as well as your 2x, 5x and 10x times tables, as this will support maths in class (especially as year 2 develop their use of inverse division).

Music

We will be using Charanga, an online program with fun and interactive music, and even a bit of dancing. Our first unit is 'Rhythm in the way we walk and Banana rap' which introduces rap and hip hop. We will be listening to The Beatles, Pharell Williams, Mike Oldfield as well as a bit of Gustav Holst.