

Maple Weekly Review

Week ending: 11th January 2019

It's been lovely to see the children back this week. They have started the term with a great deal of enthusiasm. We are looking forward to our Class Assembly, which takes place Friday. We hope you will be able to join us! On another note, the Family Work team are running several friendly, informal workshops, which all families are invited to attend. Both take place at Bourn School, there is **one session called 'Raising Teens'** on 16th January 6.30-7.30pm and **another 3 sessions called 'Supporting your child through Reception'** which starts on 23rd January between 6.30-7.30pm and runs for 3 weeks. Please email office@bourn.cambs.sch.uk to register your interest.

Have a lovely weekend.

English

In English this week, we have been revising some key grammatical and punctuation concepts such as capital letters, question marks, commas for clarity etc. We have also extended our knowledge of comprehension question types, using the mnemonic: VIPERS. The children are learning to recognize, identify and write questions using vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and sequencing/summarizing. We have also revised metaphors and similes in preparation for our new writing unit.

Maths

In Maths this week, we have been working on statistics by using and creating pie charts. We have calculated individual segments by dividing degrees in a circle to find the required angle. We then drew these onto pie charts using protractors. We have also practised arithmetic skills daily with mini Maths tests to improve our speed, accuracy and confidence.

Science

This week in Science we started a new unit of work called 'Living things and their habitats'. We thought about the reasons why scientists classify plants and animals based on their characteristics and we tried to do this ourselves in the context of sorting animals for a zoo.

Enrichment Curriculum

This week our new Enrichment Curriculum theme was revealed. The children will be focusing on key geographical skills for the first half term and started the unit by following clues to find hidden items in the school. Teams then had to create compass directions for another team to locate and retrieve the object. Children also revised their knowledge of co-ordinates, applying these to small village maps in order to identify and locate places of interest.

HOMEWORK

DAY	SUBJECT	DUE IN
MONDAY	Science - Habitats	Thurs
TUESDAY	English – Reading Question Types	Fri 18.01.19
THURSDAY	Maths – Statistics	Tues

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AND NOTICES

Monday 21st January – After School clubs begin.

Wednesday 16th January – Evening family workshops from the Family Work team

Friday 18th January – Maple Class Assembly.

Friday 8th February – Sporting Achievement Assembly

Friday 15th February – Half Term Begins

Mrs. Wheatman & Mrs Culley