



**What have we been doing in Maple this week?**

We would like to wish all our Mums a very Happy Mother's Day this weekend and hope that they have a well-deserved rest on their special day!

**Literacy**

The year 5 children have been continuing their work on Myths and Legends. They have been investigating persuasive language in advertisements and using what they have learnt to create their own advert for a magical object from the Gods, for a Greek hero. They have also been revising their work on using commas to separate clauses.

The year 6 children have continued their work on 'The Pied Piper' and have combined it with journalistic writing to report on the disappearance of the children from Hamelin. We have identified key features of newspapers and their purpose, using our knowledge to help create our own article. We have also created a suspect profile for The Pied Piper, using the poem to inform our work.

**Maths.**

In year 5, the children have been studying capacity and volume. They have been investigating volume of shapes using cm cubes as well as visualizing 3D shapes from 3D pictures of them and calculating volume, reading scales and converting units.

In year 6 children have been continuing their work on ratio and proportion. We have looked at ratio and proportion using patterns and recipes, have simplified them as well as applied our knowledge when investigating Smarties, which was a very popular lesson! We have also continued our SATs practice with another past paper. We are all making good progress and feeling increasingly confident in our abilities!

**Other Subjects:** We had an exciting and practical PSHCE lesson this week, investigating first hand what it would be like to be blind. The children worked in pairs, carrying out a series of activities such as watching a film clip, reading a picture book and identifying food, all whilst blindfolded and aided by their partner. This enabled them to adequately understand what difficulties and challenges a visually-impaired person must face and the emotions it provokes. In Topic, we created our prototypes from clay and will be painting them as soon as they are dry. We will then start thinking of how we would like them to be packaged.

**What will we be doing in Maple next week?**

Next week, we will be continuing with 'How We See Things' in Science and looking at shadows and shadow art. We will also be continuing our Topic Work, using our research into packaging to inspire designs for our own products.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AND NOTICES**

- You will have received a letter this week giving details of how we are going to fundraise for Comic Relief. Remember to bring in your red noses if you have one and silver coins to cover the playground at playtime! There will be a cake sale after school selling Bourn Bistro cakes .
- Parent Consultations: 13 and 14 March.

**HOMEWORK**

SUBJECT	TASK	DATE DUE IN
<b>Literacy</b>	Y5 Sentence openers homework.	Friday 8.3.13
	Year 6: Grammar Practice and Spellings	Friday 15.03.13
<b>Science</b>	P42 Fancy Words You Need to Know Learn all the definitions for a test.	Thursday 14.03.13
<b>Maths</b>	Year 5 column method revision for all operations.	Wednesday 13.3.13
	Year 6 Ratio homework	Thursday 14. 3..13
<b>Enrichment Curriculum</b>	If you haven't already: Bring in a sample of packaging	Monday 11.03.13