



West Dean C of E Primary School

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Maple Class - Learning Overview – Autumn Term 2023

Topic – Amazing Places and Spaces, Spreading Sparks & Celebrations Around the World

English	Maths	Science	Computing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phonics Guided Reading Handwriting & Spelling - Yr 2 tricky words Rocket writing - describing how a rocket moves after watching a take off video stimulus Space Poetry Astronaut diary entries Read <i>Vlad and the Great Fire of London</i> and create diary entries for Boxton Create a celebrations poster for a different country/ religion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place Value - Count in steps of 2,3, 5 from 0 and 10 from any number & recognise the value of each digit in a two -digit number. Compare and order numbers from 0 to 100 Addition and Subtraction to 100 adding two digit numbers and ones, two digit number and tens, two two-digit numbers and three one digit numbers Shape - Identifying the properties of 2D and 3D shapes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out how astronauts exercise, eat the right amounts of food and keep clean whilst in Space Use observations and ideas to answer questions about Space Identify the suitability of everyday materials when building and testing our own rockets Compare the suitability of everyday materials when burning down our Tudor Houses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer systems and networks - IT all around us Creating Media - Digital photography Controlling a floor robot - create and debug simple programs Use technology to create an astronaut fact file Use technology to learn about the lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole Use technology safely and respectfully
History	Geography	RE	PSHE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read <i>Mae Among the Stars</i> and research life of Mae Jemison, the first black female to travel to space Learn about astronaut Tim Peake, a significant person from our locality Learn about the significance of the Great Fire of London Research the lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name and locate the seven continents and five oceans Name and locate the four countries, capital cities & surrounding seas of the UK Using Google Earth to create a map for a journey we will go on Use compass directions and a map to follow a route in the school grounds Grid references: plot where the Great Fire took place in London Discover different celebrations around the world. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding Christianity 'Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?' An encounter with two Muslim stories. Creation: Who made the world?' Incarnation: Why does Christmas matter to Christians? Discussing 'The Big Story Frieze. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss jobs people do to protect others and why Research the fire brigade and think about how they risk their lives to protect people and places Visit from the Fire Brigade Transition into a new classroom and settling in Family and relationships Safety and the changing body

Art & DT	Music	Drama	PE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooking - Make space rock cakes • Taste test astronaut food • Design and create our own paper mache planets • Create marble effect space pictures using dye • Design and make alien spaceship portholes • Crumpet moon pictures • Build and make our own junk rockets • Great Fire of London Silhouette Skyline • Mixed Media Fire pictures • Design and make traditional Christmas/Winter cards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen 'Gustav Holst - The Planets' space music and use instruments to compose our own versions • Learn the songs for our Christmas Nativity • Learn to play the song London's Burning on recorders • Tony Chestnut - Improvise rhythms along to a backing track using the note C or G. • Compose call-and-response music. • Play the melody on a tuned percussion instrument. • Recognise and play echoing phrases by ear. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Space role play - an astronaut and alien come face to face • Freeze frame scenes from Vlad and the Great Fire of London • Nativity - To take on lead speaking roles in the Christmas nativity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gymnastics - Developing balance, agility and coordination • Dance - create fire dances using simple movement patterns • AAA Coaching - Team games and outdoor sports