

Maple and Willow Weekly Newsletter



Friday 30th April 2021

HOME LEARNING

For Home Learning this week Year 1 will be given spellings and some maths retrieval questions. Additionally, we would like your child to continue to practise their reading book on Bug Club or Epic, their number skills on Numbots and their spelling techniques on Ed Shed. Please let us know as soon as possible if you need any help logging in to these online platforms. All of these skills are crucial for your child's continued development within literacy and maths.

Please make sure that you are sharing a story with your child every day as part of their home learning. All children love to listen to and jump into the imaginary world of stories and this is an amazing way for you to ensure that this is happening. Thank you for your commitment to develop our ***Love of Reading*** culture!

Attendance

This week's attendance for Willow class is 98.90 %!

Attendance is so important to us at Dunsford Community Academy and we really value and appreciate your support with this. Each week we will inform you of the target that we have managed to reach as a class as we will be working towards attendance certificates!

Please ensure that your child attends school every day. Every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost. We are aiming for 100% attendance in Willow class every week and we know that we can do this!

Dear Parents,

We have had another week of amazing learning in Maple and Willow. We have been busy planting and caring for our sunflower seeds and recording all the things that these beautiful flowers need to stay healthy and strong. The vocabulary that has transpired from all of our plant observations has been incredible and we can't wait to see how quickly they grow from seeds into flowers!

In mark making and writing we are continuing with our letter and postcard writing and we have also been practising all of our phonics skills as we spell words using the sounds that we learn every day. Our sentence writing is also developing as we remember how to use capital letters and full stops to create our grammatically correct sentences.

Maths has been so much fun as we group and share objects from around the classroom and the outdoor environment in order to make and add equal groups. We have been exploring shapes and patterns too as we discover that these are everywhere.

Next Friday we will be celebrating Number Day to support the NSPCC. During the day we will be taking part in lots of different fun maths activities. The children are invited to come into school dressed up as something linked to numbers. We have discussed possible ideas in school and we are looking forward to seeing some creative ideas. In order to support the NSPCC we ask that the children bring in a donation if they would like to dress up.

We can't wait to see all of your amazing costumes that you wear to celebrate Number Day.

As always, please do contact us if you have any questions. We are looking forward to having a full term back at school and welcoming our new nursery children to our amazing Early Years unit.

If your child is experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, then please contact the office before bringing them into school. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

We hope you all have a fabulous weekend and we will see you all on Monday.

Miss Dann, Miss Farress and Mrs Wilson.



Star of the Week

Willow Star of the Week is Thomas for persevering with everything that he does. Well done Thomas you are a super Triatops!

Our numbots champion is Olive for earning 550 coins this week. Thank you for being such an amazing mathematician Olive!

Our Phonics champion is Hector for his super reading this week. What a superstar you are Hector!

Maple Star of the Week this week is Ed!