

Maples Class
Term 2 Newsletter
Is change good?



Dear Maples families,

Thank you all for a great start to this academic year. Everyone really enjoyed learning about inventions and inventors, old and new, and doing lots of practical work too! This term we will be continuing our work on change but looking at it from a geographical point of view, exploring the local area, looking at the changes that have happened over time and what impact they have had. We will be using multiple texts including the 'Just So Stories' by Rubyard Kipling and 'Song of the Dolphin Boy' by Elizabeth Laird to deepen our learning in English. It is also the term of Christmas (dare we say it!) so we will have lots of Christmas themed learning, and fun, towards the end of term!

Homework

Reading	Please listen to your child read at least three times and ensure your boom reader account to activated ready to log your child's reads, this will be checked weekly in school. During these reads it would be great if you can also check in with the children to see if they have understood what they are reading and what has happened in the story.
Times Tables	Each child will have a Times Table Rock stars login and should be practising their tables (either on this website or in another way) each week.

Questions you could ask your child about their learning this term:

- What is there in our local area that is important?
- What changes have happened in local area over time?
- Can you find our local area and important sites on a map?
- Can you create a map of our local area?

Key Topic Vocabulary	Useful Websites:
Local area town village county school compass map locate route ariel view train station library	Google.co.uk/maps https://www.visitengland.com/things-to-do/east-sussex https://sussexpast.co.uk/historic-sites/

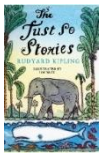
Reminders – Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day with fresh water; ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat for any wet weather. **Our PE days are Monday and Friday** on these days, the children should come dressed in their PE kit to school.

Forest School will be on Wednesday 25th November, as it is getting colder and wet please make sure that welly boots and waterproof clothing are now being worn.

Many thanks for your support,

Miss Bird and Maples team

Term 2 learning map

Literacy 	 **Poetry / narrative**		
Maths 	**Measurement** 	**Multiplication and division** 	**Addition and subtraction** 
Science 	**Rocks and soils- What is under our feet?**		
Art and DT 	**Printing- what techniques can I use?**		
History  **Geography**	**How has our local area been impacted by change?**		
PSHE 	**Celebrating Difference**		
Computing 	**Networks**		
RE 	**What is it like for someone to follow God?**		
French 	**Our school**		
Music 	**Jungle book/ Christmas songs**		
PE 	**Cricket and Vollyball**		