

Key Stage Two Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back to Maidenhall!

Hello and welcome back to school for the Spring Term. This term sees a fantastic variety of creative learning opportunities in each Key Stage Two year group. There will be exciting homework and interesting trips and visits. Watch out for letters coming home with more details!

Year 3 topic 'Food Glorious Food'

Year 4 topic 'BOOM!'

Year 5 topic 'All Wrapped up!'

Year 6 topic 'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon'



Foundation Subjects Curriculum Map 2014/15

| | Autumn 1 | Autumn 2 | Spring 1 | Spring 2 | Summer 1 | Summer 2 |
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| Reception | We are unique | Let's Celebrate | People Who Help Us | Up, Up & Away | Growing | Animals |
| Year 1 | When I Grow Up | Whoosh! | Green Fingers | | On Safari | Splash! |
| Year 2 | The world through my binoculars | | Circle of Life | From Bean to Bar | Night Time | Arrrr me Hearties! |
| Year 3 | Time Travellers | | Food Glorious Food | | Under the Canopy | Off with their heads |
| Year 4 | Greece Lightning | | BOOM! | | Rome | |
| Year 5 | Can we live in Space? | | All Wrapped Up | | The Queen Vic | |
| Year 6 | Pop Goes the Warhol | | Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon | | Crime and Punishment | |

Year 3

Food is the focus of our topic work for this term. We will be finding out which countries it comes from and how it is made. For Science, we will be thinking about how foods change when they are heated and what types of foods we need to eat to stay healthy. Literacy work will be based around the stories of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and Hansel and Gretel. Our afternoons will include some art work and cooking work and cooking work and we may even eat some chocolate!!

Year 4

We have some really exciting things happening during the topic of BOOM! We are going to be learning all about natural disasters in our geography lessons. Then we will be using this knowledge in our art lessons to create a working volcano and interesting weather pictures. We are also hoping to take a trip to the Natural History Museum to look at the earthquakes and volcanos exhibition.

Year 5

This term we are learning about Ancient Egyptians. We were visited recently by a Science dome where we learnt lots about the Egyptians. We will be learning about Egyptian gods, pharaohs, the Egyptian hierarchy and lots more! We are also hoping to have an Egyptian themed day at the end of term.



Year 6

We are introducing our children to a brand new topic: Crouching Tiger, Hidden Panda, which is all about the Shang Dynasty of Ancient China. Throughout this topic children will be exploring the geographical features of China, tasting food, learning about the culture and achievements and relating to modern life.



How you can help at home: We really cannot emphasise enough just how important reading at home is, and how much this supports your child with making progress in school. Please read every night for 5 minutes and sign the home-reading record. If you would like some help please come in and see us. Thank you!