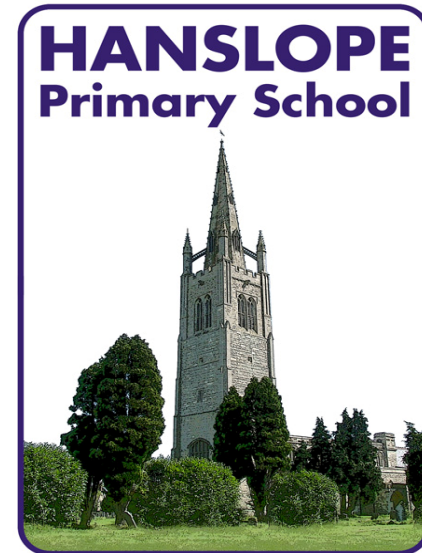


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SUMMER TERM 2009



MAPLE

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are now in the second week of the Summer Term and the children have quickly re-established their learning habits and are raring to go. Our learning journey for the year continues and below is a summary of the areas we will be teaching in the term ahead.

Communication, language and Literacy:

This term we are continuing our work with phonics and words as well as concentrating on developing the children's writing skills which will be done in response to activities done at the weekend and during the school day. We will be concentrating on sentence formation including punctuation.

Numeracy:

We are continuing to work with addition and subtraction as part of calculation and doing work towards shape, space and measure using our topics such as growth to facilitate this.

Knowledge and Understanding of the world:

The topics we will be studying each half term are growth and change and mini beasts. This half term the children will have the opportunity to explore growth and change through looking at plants, seeds, animals and humans. We will be using the book "Peter Rabbit" as a stimulus. The second half term the children will have the opportunity to explore mini-beasts in their environment and others and we will hopefully have the digital microscope to explore in detail.

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Creative development:

In the first half term we are concentrating on colour mixing paints to contribute to our topic display in our classroom as well as observational drawing we will also be using our design technology skills to make a peter rabbit proof fence to fence around our garden as well as possibly making some play ground models such as swings to go in our own garden design. We will also be making our own pots for our seeds and leaf printing. Next half term we will be concentrating on making and creating our own mini beasts using a variety of materials.

PSHE:

Our whole school approach means that all the children will be focusing on similar themes but at different levels. In the first half term the unit of study is "Relationships". In the second half term, the unit focus will be on "Changes".

Any questions concerning your child's education please feel free to come in and ask. If it looks like we are busy we have an allocated parent time after school on a Tuesday. Please feel free to pop in then.

We are looking forward to a good term working together,

The Foundation Team.