

Curriculum update

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How on Earth?

The children are really excited about our new theme and have lots of questions that they would like to find the answer to. We are starting by looking at what actually is in space and how the planets are different. We are then going to think about how we would get to space and think about what else is in space such as: sun, moon and stars. The children also want to learn about things on Earth such as the sea and volcanoes. Finally, we are going to think about how we will look after the planet and what will happen if we don't look after the planet. There are lots of things we are going to try and learn about and we will inform you of any curriculum visits as soon as we have dates

Maths

Last week in Maths, we focused on finding number bonds to 5. We played lots of different games to work out which two numbers go together to make 5. We will apply this to bigger numbers. Throughout this week, challenge yourself to find two numbers that go together to make 6, 7 and 8. Please send any photos to admin@madley.hereford.sch.uk. This week, we are counting forwards and backwards to 10 as well as challenging ourselves to identify one more and one less.

We have a student teacher with us from the University of Worcester. Miss Crapper is a third year student and will be taking responsibility for some lessons over the next few weeks. She has taken time to get to know the children and we are looking forward to supporting her training. During her time with us, Miss Crapper has a project to complete with the children. These are activities that will happen in school but may require your permission, we hope you can help to support Miss Crapper whilst she is with us.

Welcome back!

We hope you enjoyed the Christmas break and have had lots of fun! The children settled back into our classroom routine brilliantly last week. We are encouraging the children to be more independent and this starts as soon as they come into the classroom. You can help us by encouraging the children to come in by themselves and carrying their own things. In the morning, there will now be different activities on each table for the children to choose from. We are challenging the children to tell the lunchtime staff what they are having for lunch and tell them if they would like beans, for example, or if they would like their dinner plain. All of these skills support the children's independence when they are in the classroom. We want the children to be able to ask for help when they need it but to try their best to do it themselves first.

Planets

We have started our new theme by learning about the planets in the solar system. We have found out which one is the closest as well as lots of other facts too. We also designed and made our own planets using collage materials. We thought about who might live there and what the colours represented.

Reminders

Forest School is every Monday, unless other information is sent. Please ensure that your child has a drink and coat in school everyday and that they have their reading book too.

We have a volunteer reading with us on a Tuesday, meaning there are extra opportunities for the children to be listened to.