



# Celebrating Maple class!



**Term:**

**Spring 2**

*Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful half term break.*

In Maple Class, we are continuing our African theme, looking at creating our own non fiction texts about African animals - this will link in perfectly with our exiting trip to Newquay Zoo! It has been a very exiting term so far and we would like to share with you the wonderful work and contributions we have made so far this term!

## Extra curricular activities



Having lots of fun with our friends in Maple class



**Science** - We have been looking at life cycles of animals and created super fact files exploring what animals need to survive. Maple class were superb at designing healthy meal plans that help to keep us healthy.

**Work related learning** - We have explored lots of local charities like the RNLI, Children's Hospice South West and had a visitor from St Austell Foodbank to explain their role in the community.

**English** - 'Mama Panya's Pancakes' has been our focus story this half term, exploring the African setting, describing characters and sequencing key events in the book.

**PSHE** - Looking after our bodies and identifying what helps keep us healthy has been this term's PSHE topic. We looked at the importance of sleep too and how to get a good night's sleep.

**Extra-curricular activities**—We have had lots of external visitors come to see us including The Lost Garden's of Heligan reading a sensory story, bird feeder workshops with the Cornish Wildlife Trust, and the RSPCA discussing how to take care of our pets.

## Developing our skills



## Community involvement/British Values



## WOW moments:

To finish off our community engagement sessions during Spring term 1 we had a super visit to the Eden Project - everyone really enjoyed the visit and look forward to upcoming trips this term including Bikeability and Newquay Zoo!



# Reminders!

## Upcoming events!

Continuing Yoga/ Soft ball sessions

Wednesday 5th March - Bikeability trip / St Piran's Day

Thursday 6th March—World Book Day—Dress up as Superheroes

Friday 21st March - Comic Relief Day— Dress up in red

Friday 21st March - World Down Syndrome Day - Wear Odd socks

Wednesday 2nd April - Newquay zoo trip

Friday 4th April - Spring show



## The class team..

Maple class is made up of teacher; Lucy, teaching assistants; Amy and Kate and midday supervisor June. We also have Phil covering Lucy's PPA time in the week.

You may see our names in the diary from time to time!



## Next steps in our learning...

This half term we will continue to promote increased independence of our class by looking at simple recipes that the class can create for themselves. Maple class are already superstars at collecting their snack, tidying up after themselves and looking after our class, so will build on these skills even more.

We will develop our writing skills by producing some super non-fiction texts so watch this space for some creative creature descriptions coming home.

There are lots of events happening this term so please keep reading the home communication books for

## Don't forget...

PE - is on a Thursday afternoon - please send in a PE kit

Swimming - is on Mondays, please ensure your child has a kit in school for this day

Outdoor learning/break times—please ensure your child has a coat as the weather changes

Snacks- Please remember to provide your child with a small healthy snack daily.

Home communication book - Please check these daily for any daily updates/reminders, if you



For updates, information and useful contacts, please check our school website and Facebook pages.



## Special guest visitor -

Baby Aubrey came to visit maple class - linking our work of RE and Science looking at life stages together. Maple class sat beautifully and had cuddles with