



English

We've had fun learning and adapting a story called "Beowulf." The children have thought carefully about the structure of the story, they have used kennings (seal-bath, mead-hall), a range of different sentence types to improve their stories, fronted adverbials, alliteration (fiery fiend, gruesome ghoul) and a range of description.

In their non-fiction writing, the children enjoyed creating their very own spy gadgets and then writing persuasive adverts to convince people to buy their amazing product! Spelling and handwriting remains a priority for us this year and children have been making good progress in these areas of learning. Thank you for your support in helping your child to learn the spelling words set for homework.

Maths

In Maths, we have been working on recognising and knowing the value of numbers up to one million. We have been adding and subtracting numbers up to 5 digit numbers. Maple class have been applying these concepts when reasoning with number and when problem solving.

Our **Collective Worship** theme this term is 'Peace'

Key dates for Autumn Term

Thursday 27th November: Maple Class cinema night

Tuesday 30th November: Maple Class assembly

Tuesday 7th & Thursday 9th December: Christmas Performances

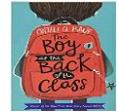
We've also enjoyed taking part in football, dodgeball, cheerleading, using Google Sketch up to create 3d models, creating Anglo-Saxon clay pots, drawing line drawings of people, learning about the life of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings and we are learning a whole story in French!

Reading



During our whole class guided reading sessions we have enjoyed reading a range of fiction and non-fiction books. We have been focussing on the key reading skills of comprehension, understanding vocabulary and developing our pace and fluency in our reading.

We are enjoying our class novel, "Boy at the back of the classroom." We do enjoy discussing the books we read in class. It is lovely to see a genuine love for reading in Maple class.



Homework and reading at home.

Thank to all of those children who are consistently completing their homework every week and bringing in their reading logs to be checked. Please hand in homework and reading logs every Tuesday.

We do encourage children to read an AR reader levelled book as well as a book that they are reading for pleasure. Reading AR reader books is beneficial as we can ensure that children are reading books at an appropriately challenging level. The children have been doing really well at remembering to take an AR reader quiz at school once they have finished a book.

