

# MAPLE CLASS

## Summer Term 2018

### LITERACY

Maple Class will be studying the text: *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*

Kate DiCamillo takes us on an extraordinary journey, from the depths of the ocean to the net of a fisherman, from the top of a garbage heap to the fireside of a hobos camp, from the bedside of an ailing child to the bustling streets of Memphis and along the way, we are shown a true miracle: even a heart of the most breakable kind can learn to love, to lose, and to love again.

The children will be exploring the themes of friendship and loyalty, appreciating how a character can change through the course of a story. We will be writing poetry, creating story boards, taking part in drama, writing in role and writing instructions and biographical writing.

We will continue to learn spelling strategies weekly and teach grammar and punctuation through our daily writing lessons.

### MATHS

In Maths we will be working on solving addition and subtraction word problems.

We will then be moving on to multiplication using repeated addition and division as the inverse of multiplication. In division we will be looking at making equal groups and looking at the quotient and the remainder.

We will be continuing with Big Maths Beat That every Monday and Friday and Maths passports which are done several times a week.

The children will also be working on their times tables, the 3s, 4s and 8s especially both in and out of order.

### INDEPENDENT LEARNING

The theme for our learning journey this term will be "The Journey" and we will be incorporating our English text into our activities. The children will be researching key events in Victorian/Edwardian history and producing a fact sheet. We will be developing our map skills, looking at how to read a map and look up different locations. In art we will be using watercolour paints, creating a backwash before adding on detail. The children will be composing their own hobo ballad and we will be exploring the work of some famous composers and looking at the instruments in an orchestra.

### SCIENCE

In Science this term, we are looking at energy and sound. We will be conducting different experiments to test the changes of energy. We will also be thinking about how sound is created and how it moved through the air.