

## Birch

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025

# Highlights for the week

Maths and English: In English we complete a programme called Write Dance on a Thursday. This is a programme that helps use the whole body in moving from gross to fine motor skills to help make marks and hopefully write clear marks/letters, and this is done by using key stories and dance movements. We start with The Volcano.

In Maths this week we have started work with statistics (grouping and sorting items/numbers) and catch up on our work with 2D and 3D shapes.

**Topic:** We have started looking at directions using sensory experiences including finding fruit/animals in the snow, guiding Pacman to find his food and programming beebots to find our friends.

### Headteacher awards

**Seth:** for great participation in Write Dance, engaging with the story and copying Dance moves.

**Arveen:** for sorting items into the correct colours with the correct flashcards.

Helpful award: James for helping adults tidy away resources after Maths.

GOLD AWARD Eddie!! Well done Eddie for this great achievement.

### A few messages from Mrs Dixon:

If you need to contact us, you can do this through the red home-school book or the class email – <a href="mailto:birch@mapleridge.hants.sch.uk">birch@mapleridge.hants.sch.uk</a>

Please can you ensure you have sent in wellies, wet weather clothes if needed and spare clothes. During this season the weather can be unpredictable and we want to make sure we are prepared for all weather especially when going out for Forest school and playtimes. Thank you ©

On Monday please send in full kits with everything they will need for Swimming. We do not have spares in school unfortunately.

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Dixon, Miss Tripp and Miss Butler



Swimming: We have been going swimming for three weeks now and the progress we have seen already is amazing !!! from entering the pool and staying in the water to swimming on our own with floats as aids or independently splashing around. This week we started swimming on our backs © Keep up the great work Birch class!!!