This information provides a broad overview of what is being learnt in English and Maths. Teachers adapt lessons to meet the needs of individual pupils.

This week we have been learning:

**Maths - length**
- To compare different lengths in cm
- To solve problems involving length
- To begin to use the bar model as a way of solving problems.

**English – instruction writing**
- To use adverbs of time – first, next, then, after, finally.
- To look for ways to improve writing – our own and others.
- To write a set of instructions for making a smoothie.

**English – spelling and grammar**
To spell the ‘s’ sound with a ‘c’ when it is before an ‘e’, ‘i’ or ‘y’. E.g. city, cycle, centipede.
To look at words that we write and see if it ‘looks right’. Sometimes that is the only way to know if a word is spelt correctly (other than using a spell checker/dictionary).

Please use the homework journal for homework.

For homework this week:

**Maths – measuring length**
This activity will require adult help for safety purposes and a very clean ruler! We would like the children to measure and then cut up some easy to cut food. We would like the adult to ask for 9/12/15cm of cheese/banana/chocolate/cucumber etc. The children should then measure (as accurately as possible) and cut carefully. When they have cut they could re-measure to see how accurate their cutting and measuring was. If you would rather your children didn’t play with food (or knives) then cutting paper, card or string is an alternative way of doing the same activity. If you could email a photo of your child doing this activity to mulberry@linsladelow.beds.sch.uk or sycamore@linsladelow.beds.sch.uk that would be fantastic and we will look at them in school next week.

**English reading**
Please hear your child read their home reading book for 10 minutes per day and complete the reading record.
Could your child make a note of any words that they’ve read that they don’t yet understand the meaning of. Could you use a dictionary to find out the definition? Could you, as a family, try to use the new word in different situations every day?

**Spellings**
Please take time to practise your child’s spellings and write sentences using the spellings.
This is the last week of spellings before Christmas. Could you please try and use adverbs of manner in each sentence – carefully, sensibly, quietly, beautifully etc.
E.g. ‘I wrote neatly with the pencil’ or ‘The giant stamped loudly’.

Topic work and other subjects will also be taught. Information about the content has been sent home earlier in the term and is also available on the school website.

Please don’t forget that costumes need to be sent into school by Monday 2nd December.