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Hope and Peace	Unity	Trust and Honesty	Happiness	Courage	



**MAPLE TREE**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Climbing the branches of success

## Newsletter

Friday 6th September 2019

### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

I hope you have all had a good summer. There were lots of smiles both on the way in and out of the school gates on Wednesday! The children look so smart in their new uniform and they all seem to have grown taller over the holiday. Can I please remind you that all children should be wearing navy trousers and school shoes, not trainers please. A full list of expected uniform can be found on our website.

It is lovely to see all our children return this week and we welcome our new Reception children and their parents to Maple Tree. We also welcome our new Deputy Head, Miss Amy Hyde, and our new Year 5 teacher, Mrs Carrie-Anne Rowley. Alongside the teaching staff we are also really pleased to welcome Mr Nigel Rowland as our new site agent/midday supervisor and Mrs Yany Boddington as our relief MSA.

This year promises to be very full and there are lots of new things planned as well as a continuation of the usual. On the next page you will find the list of Key Stage leaders so you know who to contact should there be an issue. It is preferable that you raise any issues with the class teachers in the first instance and then Key Stage leaders should you still need to. If you then find you still have concerns, please make an appointment to see Miss Hyde or myself at the school office.

The results from the parent survey that was out at the end of last term will be shared with you in next week's newsletter. One of the things that came up was communication and again we have listened to comments and suggestions made and will be addressing this over the coming weeks. As a starting point, there will be a leader on the front and back gates every morning and class teachers will be out on the playground from 8.50am should you need to talk to anyone.

Our website is also being updated with its content and over the coming weeks you should be able to turn to this for your major source of communication as we will ensure the calendar of events is up to date as far in advance as possible and that class pages and photos are uploaded to allow you to see what the children are up to in school.

Have a lovely weekend.



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# School Business

## Key Stage Leaders

### **Early Years (Pre-school and Reception)**

Mrs Pigott

### **Key Stage One (Years 1 and 2)**

Mrs Vickery-Cox

### **Lower Key Stage Two (Years 3 and 4)**

Mrs Champion

### **Upper Key Stage Two (Years 5 and 6)**

Miss Hyde



## Meet the Teacher meetings

In order to help your child to settle in to their new class and to help you to understand the expectations that go with that year group we will be holding transition meetings.

**These will be held in the classrooms at 9am** on the dates below (please leave buggies outside as space will be tight):

### **Monday 23rd September KS1 Years 1 and 2**

Aspen class (Mrs Vickery-Cox)

### **Tuesday 24th September KS2 Years 3/4**

Rowan class (Ms Cassidy)

### **Tuesday 24th September Year 5**

Cherry class (Miss Hyde/Mrs Darnell)

Our Year 6 parent meeting will be on **Wednesday 25th September at 6pm**. This will include information regarding supporting your child with KS2 SATS. There will be a separate letter coming out about this next week.

## PE Days

Pine	Monday
Fir	Monday
Birch	Tuesday
Yew	Thursday
Aspen	Wednesday
Rowan	Wednesday
Poplar	Monday
Cherry	Friday
Juniper	Thursday
Elder	Tuesday

While the weather is still dry, please make sure the children have suitable footwear for outdoor PE.

## Pupil Premium

If you receive benefits you may be entitled to additional funding called Pupil Premium. This enables your child to have free school meals every day as well as being used to support with other things such as uniform and trip costs. We also use it to support the children with learning opportunities both in and out of the classroom.

If you think you would qualify, please do talk to the school office or you can ring this number directly:

**Call 0300 300 8306 and someone will help you with your application.**

Your enquiry will be treated confidentially.

# Community News

## Message from Friends of Maple Tree



Welcome back. We hope that everyone had a lovely Summer break. If you took part in the Summer Challenge please return the form with your distances on by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September. Medals and certificates will be handed out in assembly on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

The AGM is being held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm at the school. As parents of the school you are automatically members of FoMT and as such are welcome to attend the AGM. If you would like to come along please let us know so that we know how many people to expect. We can be contacted on [fomt.mt@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fomt.mt@hotmail.co.uk) or via our facebook page 'Friends of Maple Tree Primary School'.

## New Year, New Challenge!

We are already planning a number of events for the Autumn term but we are kick starting this years' fundraising efforts with the 5p challenge. We are challenging each class from Pre-School to Year 6 to fill up a bottle with 5ps. **The challenge will run from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.** The first class to fill their bottle up will receive a special class treat worth £30 (decided between the teacher & children). The second class to fill their bottle up will get a class treat worth £15. The remaining funds from the 5ps will all go towards PTA funded school projects. We will check the bottles every few weeks to give everyone an update on how the classes are doing and who might be in the lead. So raid your money boxes, save your change & look down the back of the sofa & join us to help us raise funds for the school.

Thank you



## Diary Dates

### Autumn 1 2019

Monday 9th September—Mulberries start school

Monday 16th September—FoMT AGM 7.30pm

**Monday 23rd September 9am KS1 Years 1 and 2  
Meet the Teacher transition meeting**

**Tuesday 24th September 9am Years 3/4/5 Meet  
the Teacher transition meeting**

**Wednesday 25th September 6pm Year 6 KS2  
Information evening**

**Thursday 26th September 1pm Years 4/5/6  
author visit at Laburnum Primary school**

Monday 30th September—Parent Forum 9.00am

**Tuesday 15th October—Parents' Evening**

**Thursday 17th October—Parents' Evening**

### Half Term Week

**Monday 21st—Friday 25th October**

### Autumn 2 2019

**Monday 28th October Children return to school**

**Thursday 28th November Grandparent Breakfast**

**Friday 20th December Term ends**

### Christmas Holiday

**Monday 23rd Dec 2019—Tuesday 7th Jan 2020**

## Co-op Fundraising Update

£1,865.07 raised so far!  
Please keep supporting us!