

Kindness and Co-operation	Thankfulness	Friendship and Sharing	Respect	Patience and Perseverance	Responsibility
Hope and Peace	Unity	Trust and Honesty	Happiness	Courage	



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# Newsletter

Friday 1st November 2019

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

It has been a really busy and exciting week for the children. It was great to return to school on Monday and see our new outdoor gym equipment which was installed over the half term holiday. We are incredibly grateful to the Friends of Maple Tree who, through their tireless fundraising last year, have bought this for us. The children have been shown how to use it and are excited to use it at playtimes as well as in PE lessons. As I am sure you will appreciate, it is very different to anything we have had before and I would ask that when you are supervising your children, before and after school, that you do **not** allow them to use the equipment.

The children will only be able to use it when supervised by a member of staff. The children have been told but we are wanting to share the message, particularly to those of you with younger children who may be attracted to it.



Thank you to all of our parents as well as it is your support of events that makes it possible to raise the money for such things.

Have a good weekend.



## Positive Behaviour

This week we have launched our new Positive Behaviour Policy. We are still using the Good to be Green system across Key Stages 1 and 2 but have streamlined our Golden Rules so that we now have just 3 of them which makes it easier for us all to remember! They are:

*We are ready.*

*We are respectful.*

*We are safe.*

There will be more information about this in next week's newsletter and a copy of the presentation Miss Hyde used with the children in Monday's assembly can be found on the 'Supporting Behaviour' page on our website or by clicking [here](#). Please do talk to your children about their behaviour during the day to encourage them to remember our 3 new rules.



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# Community News



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## CLUB TIMETABLE

### AUTUMN TERM

<b>Homework Help</b> Monday 12:30-1:15 Miss Hyde ICT suite	<b>Choir</b> Thursday 3:30-4:15 Mrs Vickery-Cox Aspen	<b>Science Club</b> Thursday 12:45-1:15 Mrs Darnell Cherry
<b>Paid Afterschool Clubs:</b>		
<b>Board Games</b> Wednesday 12:45-1:15 Mrs Rowley Juniper	<b>Football</b> Tuesday and Thursday 3:30-4:30 4 Corner Coaching	<b>Dance</b> Tuesday 3:30-4:30 VyMy Dance Hall

**UPCOMING CLUBS:**  
 Sumdog, gardening, art, upcycling and young carers.

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**Co-op Fundraising**  
 Please do sign up with the Coop again and choose us as your local cause. We are now raising money for Early Years outdoor equipment.

Even if you signed up with Maple Tree as your local cause last time, you will need to choose us again to continue supporting us. We did so well last year - let's see what we can do this time around!

<https://www.coop.co.uk/local-causes>

Please remember that holidays during term time will not be authorised and **all** absences must be reported to the school office on the first day of sickness please.

*Our October attendance fell below our expected target. Please help to support us by only making appointments during the day when essential.*

Attendance Award		
The best attendance award is presented to:		
Mulberries (Pre-School) 88.3%	Pine (YR) 94.7%	Fir (YR) 91.3%
Birch (Y1) 88.3%	Yew (Y1/2) 93%	Aspen (Y2) 98.5%
Poplar (Y3/4) 96%	Rowan (Y3/4) 94.1%	Cherry (Y5) 92.5%
Juniper (Y5) 99%	Elder (Y6) 97.6%	<b>Our school attendance target is 97%</b>

**October attendance: 95.6%      Target 97%**

Be in the line by 5 to 9!



# School Business

## House Point Winners

### Congratulations



## HELP US TO WIN £20,000!



Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! **We are so close to filling our second chart but we only have until 3rd November 2019 to complete it. Please help us to collect more!**

## Diary Dates

### Autumn 2 2019

Monday 4th November—Flu Vaccination YR to Y6  
Friday 8th November - Mulberries & Reception Disco  
KS1 & KS2 Disco  
Sunday 10th November - Sandy Remembrance Day Parade  
Tuesday 12th November—Y6 trip to Bletchley Park  
Thursday 28th November Grandparent Breakfast  
Friday 29th November - Non-uniform day  
Saturday 7th December—Christmas Fair  
Friday 13th December—Mulberries Christmas Play 11am  
Monday 16th December—Reception Christmas Play 2.30pm  
Tuesday 17th December—KS1 Christmas Play 9.30am and 4.30pm  
Wednesday 18th December—KS2 Christmas Songs 9.30am and 5.30pm  
Friday 20th December Term ends

### Christmas Holiday

**Monday 23rd Dec 2019—Friday 3rd January 2020**

### Spring 1 2020

Monday 6th January INSET day - no children  
Tuesday 7th January - Children return to school

**URGENT:** Please ensure all your child's clothing is named; this includes shoes, coats and PE kits. We have a number of items that have gone missing and would be grateful if parents could please check this weekend that they have the correct articles of clothing. If you do find that your child has brought home someone else's PE kit by accident, please return it to the school office ASAP.

## Message from Friends of Maple Tree

If you would like to order any Christmas cards, wrapping paper or gift tags based on your child's artwork we have managed to get the deadline extended to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Please order at [www.apfsorders.co.uk](http://www.apfsorders.co.uk).

If your child would like to attend the Glow Disco next week please return the orange form with payment or pay online by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

*For more information about FoMT, please read the separate newsletter which accompanies this week's newsletter.*

