

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



MAPLE TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Climbing the branches of success

Newsletter

Friday 14th January 2022



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

It has been another busy week and there is such a spread of learning going on across school at the moment I wanted to share some of the highlights that I have seen since the start of the term:

Blossom: thoroughly settled and playing together to visit 'Dinosaur World' - creative play at its best!

Berries: some fabulous acting out of the story of The Gruffalo - children sitting and listening attentively and engaging with their learning. Keen and happy to share what they are doing.

Reception: high levels of engagement and enjoyment in their activities and opportunities for independent writing which the children were responding enthusiastically too.

Year 1: comparing numbers in maths and challenging themselves within the lesson. Really good levels of learning seen.

Year 2: children were engaged in discussing their ideas with Talk Partners to support them in writing their stories whilst focusing on the sequencing of events. The children very much like the story they have been reading.

Year 3: have been engaging with a unit on Poetry and have been learning to recite poems as well as use them to create their own verses or poems - such different styles and lots of great rhyming words!

Year 4: have been continuing to learn their times tables to help them with fluency and speed whilst answering random questions.

Year 5: beginning to learn the art of using a compass for drawing the perfect circle - not an easy task whether you move the compass or just the paper!

Year 6: challenging work on fractions this week which is encouraging discussion and use of prior knowledge and understanding.

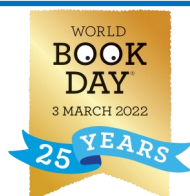
I hope you all have a good weekend.

Advance Notice

Thursday 3rd March 2022 is World Book Day and children are invited to dress up as book characters from their favourite books. We have no expectation that you will buy brand new costumes but we know that these things can sometimes take time to get together.

Alternatively your child may come with a prop or something that shows the book character, without the full costume.

If you need ideas, please ask!



Would your child like to play in their very own rock band?



Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn new skills, develop friendships and have the time of their life.

Watch this short video to see what learning in a band could do for your child's well-being:

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/watch-video/>

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Headteacher Awards

This week the award is for... being a great learner!



Fir Class: Grace ★	Yew Class: Kyle ★	Aspen Class: Jake ★
Hawthorn Class: ★ Niamh	Rowan Class: ★ Remi	Poplar Class: Brooke ★ Tyler
Cherry Class: ★ Summer	Elder Class: Jess U ★	WELL DONE! ★

This week's House Winners



Congratulations!

A shout-out to Krause Autos who bought our new Netball Kit! Thank you!

Krause Autos are a family run business and have been supporting the local area since 2020. We're an AA approved garage and can carry out servicing, MOTs, repairs, and tyres from our fully equipped garage in Sandy. We also offer a free collection and delivery service to/from your home or place of work.

We are delighted to be partnering with Maple Tree Primary School, as we are very near neighbours, and it's really important for us to give something back to the community that has welcomed us so warmly.

Best of luck to children representing the school!



Attendance Awards

Our target is 97%

The best attendance award is presented to: Blossoms!

Mulberries (Pre-School) Blossoms 95.8% ★ Berries 89.9%	Fir (YR) 90% %
Yew (Y1) 88.6%	Aspen (Y2) 89%
Hawthorn (Y3) 88.6%	Poplar (Y4) 88.4%
Rowan (Y4) 88%	Cherry (Y5) 88.6%
Elder (Y6) 87.2%	Overall School inc preschool 89.4%

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 19th January 4-6.30pm Berries Parents' Evening

Thursday 20th January 4-6.30pm Berries Parents' Evening

Week beg 31st January - Year 6 Mock SATS

Week beg 7th February Children's Mental Health week

Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th February – Parents' evenings

Week beg Monday 14th February Half Term Week

Thursday 3rd March World Book Day

Friday 1st April Term Ends

Easter Holidays Monday 4th - Tuesday 19th April

Tuesday 19th April INSET day

Wednesday 20th April Children return

