

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 28th January 2022



### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Thank you to parents who had to be flexible at drop off and pick up time this week whilst we have had our emergency lighting updated. Your patience is appreciated. The children have been really well behaved whilst facing slight changes to their routine. They also seem really pleased with the second set of toilets which have been completed. They look very smart and hopefully the children will work really hard together to keep them looking good.

We are always looking for ways to develop the school and one of these is through having regular discussions regarding school practice. We do this with the governing body several times a term. There are currently vacancies to be filled so please see below for further details about how you can apply to become a school governor.

We also have our parent forum which we aim to meet once a half term. We currently have vacancies for this too in Years 1, 4, 5 and 6. If you would like to join the Parent Forum, please put yourself forward as a nominee with the other parents in the relevant year group and then contact the school office: [office@mapletreepriamaryschool.com](mailto:office@mapletreepriamaryschool.com) marked Parent Forum and either myself or Miss Hyde will contact you. Our next meeting date is over the page.

I hope you all have a good weekend.



### Parent Governors Needed!

Maple Tree Primary School is controlled by a Governing Body which is responsible for the vision and strategic direction of the school. The Governing Body appoints the headteacher, but plays no role in the operational, day-to-day running of the school.

Our constitution requires that up to 6 governors are appointed that are parents of children at the school, and we are inviting interested parents to apply.

If you can spare a few hours per term and would be interested in becoming a school governor, please contact the school office. It's a rewarding role where you can learn and develop new skills whilst making a real difference to the school.

We are keen to welcome community-minded people, those with experience of business and finance, and people from diverse backgrounds with a healthy variety of life and work experiences to join our team of governors and expand the range of skills the board can offer. Governors can expect to attend around a couple of meetings per term, which are generally held in the evening, and there are occasional planning days and other events.

If you'd like to understand more about what the role involves, feel free to speak to Ted Rowland or Andy King.

Closing date for applications: 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022. An election will be held if more applications are received than places exist. An enhanced CRB/DBS check will be made as part of the appointment process.

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Head: Mrs Cath Bainbridge Deputy Head: Miss Amy Hyde

# Headteacher Awards

This week the award is for... showing perseverance



<b>Fir Class:</b> Kimberly ★	<b>Yew Class:</b> Reggie ★	<b>Aspen Class:</b> ★ Iris
<b>Hawthorn Class:</b> Laecie	<b>Rowan Class:</b> Maggie	<b>Poplar Class:</b> ★ Lottie
★ <b>Cherry Class:</b> ★ Brendan	<b>Elder Class:</b> ★ Aimee	★ <b>WELL DONE!</b>

This week's House Winners



**Congratulations!**



## Blossom Class - Mulberries Pre-School

Our very youngest children have made a wonderful 'Blossom Town' this week from boxes and paper. The coloured windows and doors are very striking! Well done Blossom Class - we have some budding architects and builders already!

# Attendance Awards

**Our target is 97%**

The best attendance award is presented to: **Yew Class!**

<b>Mulberries (Pre-School)</b> Blossoms 89.7% Berries 92.2%	<b>Fir (YR)</b> 94.1%
<b>Yew (Y1)</b> 98.3% ★★	<b>Aspen (Y2)</b> 88.2%
<b>Hawthorn (Y3)</b> 95.7%	<b>Poplar (Y4)</b> 88.2%
<b>Rowan (Y4)</b> 96.6%	<b>Cherry (Y5)</b> 96.4%
<b>Elder (Y6)</b> 94.9%	<b>Overall School inc preschool</b> <b>93.4%</b>

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Week beg 31st January - Year 6 Mock SATS**

**Tuesday 1st February** Chinese New Year

**Week beg 7th February** Children's Mental Health week

**Tuesday 8th February** Safer Internet Day

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

**Thursday 10th February 10.15am** Parent Forum

**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

