



Friday 23rd February 2018

# MESSAGE TO PARENTS AND CARERS FROM THE HEAD

It is amazing how quickly we forget we have just had a holiday! The weeks seem to be rattling on at a fair old pace and being half way through the year seems a daunting prospect. The children are working so hard and behaving well as we expect children at Maple Tree to do. We are looking forward to sharing the fruits of their labour with you at Parents' Evening next week.

On the afternoon of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March we are having a Family Fun and Games session – this replaces Mother's Day tea as we appreciate that not all mums are able to make the event - so this year we are having an afternoon where we invite any member of the family to come and spend some time with your child(ren) in school. This will be a low key event but will allow the children to spend time with family during school time. I am sure there will be lots of games to play/things to do and is a way of coming together to celebrate what has so far been quite an intense year for everyone! There will be no charge for this event and we would ask that you send only 1 family member as the classrooms are not big enough to entertain more but it would be great to see you. This does coincide with the Year 4 children being away on their residential trip so we may look to arrange something for them on another occasion.

It has been nice to see some sunshine this week but please do ensure that you continue to send your children in with jumpers and coats, especially as next week is set to get much colder again.

I hope you all have a good weekend.

Attendance Award	
The best attendance award is presented to:	
Little Saplings 85.7 %	Lime 95.1 %
Chestnut 91.6%	Beech 94.8 %
Ash 78.8%	Willow 100%
Sycamore 86.8%	Oak 97.0%
Cedar 98.1%	Elm 97.0%
Be in the line by 5 to 9!	

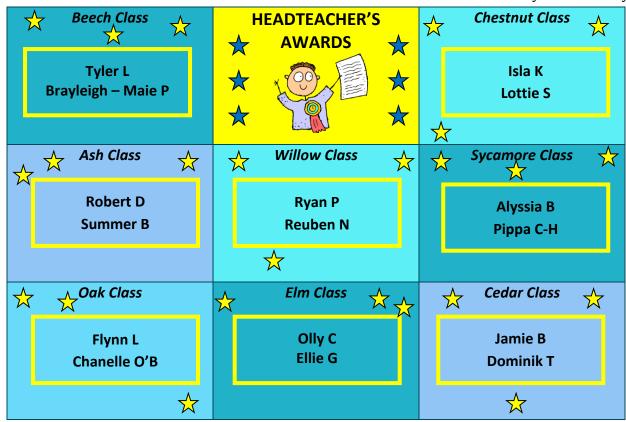


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## **IMPORTANT DATES**

### Spring 2

Wednesday 28th February Parents evening

Wednesday 28th February Consultation meeting for parents 6pm

Thursday 1st March Parents evening

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March Year 4 PGL residential

Thursday 8th March FoMT Cinema Night

Friday 9th March Family Fun and Games session 2.15pm

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March Easter Bonnet Assembly 9.15am FoMT Easter Egg hunt 3.30pm

### **Lining Up**

First thing in the morning the bell will ring twice. The first bell is to tell the children to line up, the second bell lets teachers know it is time to come in.

If you wish to speak to a teacher, please do this before the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell so that children can be in school promptly and teachers can be there to supervise.

## Easter Holiday Friday 30th March - Tuesday 17th April

### Summer 1

Monday 16th April INSET day

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April Children return to school

Friday 25th May FoMT School Disco

Half Term 28th May - Friday 1st June

### Summer 2

Monday 4th June INSET day

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June Children return to school

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July Reports out

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July Open Afternoon 2.30pm

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July Summer Fair

Wednesday 18th July Year 4 Leaver's Production

Friday 20th July Term ends

### Consultation reminder

Our consultation closes on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March. Please do sign your consultation papers and hand them into the school office or send to our Chair of Governors, Ted Rowland: chairofgovs@mapletreelowerschool.com

Additional copies can be found on our website.

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