

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



MAPLE TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Climbing the branches of success

Newsletter

Friday 22nd February 2019

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

This week there has been a real buzz in school as children have joined in with 'Art week'. They have used a mix of mediums from pastels to watercolour, from collage to cross-stitch and I have seen a range of beautiful art work and some impressive balloon bowls. All classes were given the opportunity to share their work around school this afternoon and I am in no doubt that some of the children will go on to have careers in this area!

It was also very humbling to see some of the children dressed in their organisational uniform today in recognition of Founders' Day; the children spoke well about their reasons for wearing their uniforms and were proud and happy to be representing the different groups.

I would like to end my letter with heartfelt thanks to the Friends of Maple Tree for their generous donations and supporting us recently with buying maths, science and music resources. In times when school budgets are so tight it is great to have such support and I know that you are all to thank for that as your attendance and support of FoMT events is what helps to raise the money—we couldn't do it without you—thank you. There will be pictures of our new resources to follow.

Have a lovely weekend!



House Point Winners

Congratulations



Attendance Award



The best attendance award is presented to:

Mulberries 93.0 % (Pre-School)	Pine (YR) 98.1 %
Fir (YR) 94.4 %	Birch (Y1) 97.3 %
Yew (Y1) 92.2 %	Aspen (Y2) 98.6 %
Poplar (Y3) 95.9 %	Rowan (Y4) 98.9 % ★
Juniper (Y4) 85 %	Cherry (Y5) 93.6 %

Be in the line by 5 to 9!



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HEADTEACHER AWARDS—for showing responsibility

Cherry Class ★ Ashton	Juniper Class ★ Lily Rose	Rowan Class ★ Ellie
Poplar Class ★ Winne	Aspen Class ★ Elin	Yew Class ★ Maggie
Birch Class ★ Remi	Pine Class ★ Sidney	Fir Class ★ Ronny

Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural

Children throughout the school have been enjoying art week this week. Children in Rowan class have displayed our value of the month, **responsibility**. They have looked after the equipment they have used, making sure they clean brushes and palettes properly so the next class receive the resources in the best possible state. They have taken care to ensure our classroom is left as tidy as possible at the end of the day, as there has been a considerable amount of mess made! In being responsible for their environment they have been able to produce some amazing art.



Diary Dates

Spring 2

Friday 1st March - KS1&2 Disco
Thursday 7th March—World Book Day
Friday 29th March - Family Bingo
Friday 5th April – FoMT Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Holidays

Monday 8th April – Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Summer

Wednesday 24th April Children return to school
Saturday 6th July - Summer Fete

Diamond Diners

Diamond Diners are chosen by our MDSAs from KS1 and 2 for their continuous displays of our Values at lunchtime.

Freddie F
 Chloe H
 Elin T
 William B
 Henry F



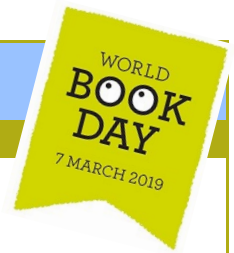
Community News

School Dinners



You may have noticed that there are less dinner choices on some days. At the moment Dolce are reviewing their menu. They are looking to remove the unpopular choices which is why, currently, there may only be 3 choices on some days. I have been assured that they are looking to add a 4th option to the menu but that this may take a few days so please bear with them.

World Book Day 2019



World Book Day takes place on **Thursday 7th March 2019**, and we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child to make the most of this special occasion.

This year we are giving the children the option of one of three ideas to participate in:

1. Come dressed as a character from a book and bring the book that the character is from
2. Come dressed in your pyjamas with a bedtime story book, a blanket or a teddy or...
3. Decorate a raw potato as a book character and bring the book the character is from.

World Book Day celebrates the **joy and value of books and reading**, especially for children. To help get them started on their reading journey, every child receives a **£1 World Book Day Book Token** that can either be exchanged for one of TEN special £1 World Book Day books or used to get £1 off any book costing £2.99 or more. You can find out more about the books at worldbookday.com/books. Your child's token will be coming home the week before World Book Day and can be redeemed at most UK bookshops. Please help your child to use it on or around World Book Day by visiting your local bookshop (if you need help finding one, visit booksellers.org.uk/bookshopsearch).

Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous—so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child.

Message from Friends of Maple Tree



Leaflets for the Glow Disco on Friday 1st March were sent out this week.

If your child would like to attend, please return the reply slip with money or pay online by Wednesday 27th February.

Letters about the school tea towels have also been sent home this week. If you have not had one there are spares at the school office. We have put copies of the tea towel proofs in some school windows if you would like to view them before purchasing. The tea towels make great gifts for family members or act as a lovely keepsake. They will be ready in time for Mother's Day and Easter. The deadline for ordering the tea towels is Friday 1st March.