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# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

As I write my last newsletter of the term, it is hard to believe that we have almost reached the end. It certainly has been extremely busy and the big holes we had in the car park where the new building was to be put at the beginning of the term certainly seems a lifetime ago – the Mulberries have made themselves very much at home! There have been so many other things going on this term as well: our Year 5 children have settled very well and are working hard and proving themselves to be the role models we expect them to be; and those children across school who are wearing new uniform look so proud and we have had many comments from visitors to the school about how smart they look.

We have also kept up the momentum with the teaching and learning in the classrooms too and the children have been learning a variety of skills through their topic based curriculum. The teachers have met with the Senior Leadership Team this week to discuss the progress of the children and there is generally a good picture across school which is pleasing.

We have also had a number of events this term which the children have been involved in and adults invited to, including events run by Friends of Maple Tree. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to the Friends of Maple Tree for their generosity in both time and money – the fundraising that they do and the support that you give us by attending such events has helped us to reinstate a much needed computer suite. The room has new computers which will allow us to deliver the computing curriculum that the children need and we are incredibly grateful to them for their donation, and to you, for helping us to make this happen.

We obviously have a new dinner system too – Dolce – which we have been running for a term and the children are getting used to the different choices and fresh ingredients. We had our Christmas Lunch on Wednesday and the children looked lovely in their Christmas jumpers – it was like one big party in the hall! Thank you to all the staff who helped out and to the Kitchen staff for cooking the dinner.

This week I have had the privilege of watching the Early Years Christmas nativity plays and seeing the children dressed up and hearing their wonderful singing has certainly brought the seasonal cheer to Maple Tree! I am looking forward to seeing KS1 and 2 performances next week.

I want to thank you all for your support this term – it really is appreciated – and on behalf of all the staff at Maple Tree I wish you all a



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## Meet our AR stARs

**Children who achieved their AR targets for the Autumn Term**

Timmy	Szymon	Bethany	Max
Amelie	Aidan	Jessica U	Ellie
Tommy	Skye	Aimee	Otis
James	Eve	Lilah	Savannah
Rosalie	Pippa	Jessica W	Alex
Daisy	Madeleine	Olly	Emily
Victoria	Jacob	Ruby	Jake
Megan	Riley	Freddie	Megan
Izzy	Lewis	Holly	James
Lucca	Autumn	Megan	Chloe
Alfie	Ayden	Mitzi	Flynn
William	Chanelle	Zara	Nikita
Grace	Drew	Ava	Jake
	Jaimie-Lynn	Evie	

<b>IMPORTANT DATES</b>
<b>Autumn 2</b>
<u>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am and 5.30pm</u> KS1 Christmas play
<u>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am and 6pm</u> KS2 Christmas carols
<u>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 3.30pm</u> Term ends
<b>Christmas Holiday</b>
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January</b>
<b>Spring 1</b>
<u>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January</u> INSET day
<u>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January</u> Children return to school
<u>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January</u> Whole school pantomime
<u>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January</u> - Cinema Night
<u>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February</u> – Parents’ Evening
<u>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February</u> – Parents’ Evening
<u>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February</u> – Shine Bright, Wear Bright non-uniform day
<b>Half Term Week</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019</b>
<b>Spring 2</b>
<u>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February</u> Children return to school
<u>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March</u> - KS1&2 Disco
<u>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March</u> - Family Bingo
<u>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April</u> – Easter Bonnet Assembly
<b>Easter Holidays</b>
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019</b>
<b>Summer</b>
<u>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April</u> Children return to school
<u>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July</u> - Summer Fete

### House Point Winners

## Congratulations

## Kingfishers

### Message from Friends of Maple Tree

Thank you to everyone who attended, helped out at or donated treats or prizes for the Christmas Fete on Saturday. It was our most successful fete in recent years raising just shy of £800. This would not have been possible without your support so thank you again.

We will be selling refreshments at both performances of the KS1 Christmas production on Monday if you would like a hot drink or mince pie.

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