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Hope and Peace	Patience and Perseverance	Trust and Honesty	Happiness	Courage	



MAPLE TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Climbing the branches of success

Newsletter

Friday 16th September 2022



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

It has been a great week in school this week. The children are really getting to grips with their new topics and we have been impressed with the way they have settled into new routines across the school.

We like to celebrate events beyond the curriculum objectives too and today is National Teaching Assistants' Day so we celebrated the hard work and efforts that our amazing team of TAs put in day after day. They work tirelessly to ensure that the teachers and the children have what they need and are often seen supporting small groups of children as well as working hard with everyone within the class. Our TAs are fabulous and we really couldn't do our job without them so a very **BIG THANKYOU** to them all!

We also had our Celebration assembly this morning. During these I award Headteacher Awards to children who have been recognised for something special. They are nominated by their class teacher and the whole school listens to reasons as to why they have been chosen and they are then applauded for their excellence. The children nominated this week are mentioned on the next page.

We look forward to seeing you at our 'Meet the Teacher' mornings over the next couple of weeks; dates and times can be found over the page (please note that there is no date for Early Years as Reception parents had their meeting before the end of last term). During these meetings you will hear about our curriculum expectations as well as the day to day routines the children have. Presentations from this will then be shared on our website for those unable to attend due to work commitments. We will also be sending home information in the next couple of weeks about the themes and topics the children are learning this term.

Have a lovely weekend!

Marvellous Me

We're thrilled to still be using MarvellousMe to tell you about the wonderful things your child is doing, and to celebrate their achievements. It's free and you can share it with partners, carers and grandparents.

For new parents and those still to join, please look out for your join letter, or ask the office. For existing parents, please remember to check you have the latest MarvellousMe parent app installed and are logged in. You don't want to miss out!

What to expect? Teachers will be:

- Sharing a learning comment (activity) with all parents **at least** two times a week, such as a summary of what they have been learning about.
- Ensuring every child receives a MarvellousMe badge every **1-2 weeks**.

Teachers may:

- Send out message reminders for things like PE kits or letters coming home.
- Send out badges for children in different classes.

Please speak to your class teacher if you need anymore information.



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Headteacher Awards

This week the award is for...
...working well with others.



Fir Class: Hugo Lexxi-Jai	Yew Class: ★ Ella	Aspen Class: ★ Karol
Rowan Class: ★ Ronnie	Poplar Class: ★ Evan	Juniper Class: ★ Brayleigh-Maie
Cherry Class: ★ Ennis	Elder Class: ★ Rosalie	WELL DONE!

Special Headteacher Awards to our fabulous Teaching Assistants ★

Mr Vine Mrs Keenan
 Mrs Cowell Mrs Hilditch
 Mrs Payne Mrs France
 Mrs Germany Mrs Green
 Mrs Jones Mrs McGrath
 Mrs Longworth Ms Green
 Mrs Leigh Mrs Hampton
 Miss Andrews Mrs Carrick
 Mrs Taylor Mrs Boddington
 Mrs Ramsay Mrs Gill
 Mrs Suarez



Message for our new parents: *If you think there is something that you have missed out on or are unsure of, please do contact the school office who will pass your query on to the relevant member of staff. We are happy to help.*

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 20th September 9-9.45am LKS2 Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 21st September 9-9.45am Year 5 Meet the Teacher

Monday 26th September 9 - 9.45am KS1 Meet the Teacher

Monday 26th September 6-7pm Year 6 Meet the Teacher and SATs info evening

Wednesday 19th October Parents' Evening

Thursday 20th October Parents' Evening

Friday 21st October 9.15 - 9.45am KS2 Harvest Assembly

Along with this newsletter is a planner for the year which has important key dates. This will be added to as we go through the year and we will give you as much notice as possible.



Dates can also be found on our [website](#).

MEET THE TEACHER

This is an opportunity for you to come along and hear about the expectations on your child(ren) during their school day and to see what they are learning this year.

LKS2 Tuesday 20th September 9.00 – 9.45am

Year 5 Wednesday 21st September 9.00 - 9.45am

KS1 Monday 26th September 9.00 – 9.45am

Year 6 Monday 26th September 6-7pm (to include information regarding Y6 SATs)

These will be held in the school hall.

Further information will be provided nearer the time.

The presentations will be uploaded onto the website following these meetings for parents who are unable to attend due to work commitments.

As part of our work on personal development, we aim to give the children a variety of opportunities to focus on roles and responsibilities beyond the curriculum so that they have the chance to learn and demonstrate some of our wider school, and British Values. This year, children are encouraged to put themselves forward as representatives of our Pupil Parliament or as Playground Buddies. Year 6 children take on the role of House Captains. These are all big responsibilities and the children are identified are expected to be role models for their peers.

Groups that have already been chosen are listed below:

Pupil Parliament

Yew - Ezra, Olivia
 Aspen - Karol, Oliver
 Rowan - Alek, Brooklyn
 Poplar - Niamh, Alfie J
 Juniper - Brooke, Charlie
 Cherry - Maggie, Roselyn
 Elder - Elin, Samuel

House Captains - Elder Class

Ravens - Daisy, Jack
 Swallows - Victoria Z, Summer
 Kingfishers - Victoria M, Leigh
 Doves - Timmy, Olly
 Robins - James, Robert
 Buzzards - Georgia, Rosalie

This year I will also be starting a Junior Leadership Team and more will come out about that in future weeks but I am hoping it will be a great way to collect Pupil Voice and involve the children directly in looking at the vision for Maple Tree.

We are close to completing our Clubs list for this term and hope to share that with you next week too.

Attendance Awards

Our target is 97%

The best attendance award is presented to:
Rowan and Cherry class!

Blossom (Mulberries) 94.7%	Berries (Mulberries) 96.9%
Fir (YR) 97.3%	Yew (Y1) 95.2%
Aspen (Y2) 97.5%	Poplar (Y3) 95.4%
Rowan (Y4) 100% 	Juniper (Y5) 98.3%
Cherry (Y5) 100% 	Elder (Y6) 95.2%

Maple Tree Needs You!

Following the closure of our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) last term, we have been approached by a number of parents who would be keen to see something similar reinstated.

This is something that we, as a school, would be keen to explore.

If you are interested in setting up a new committee, then please contact the school office who will pass your details on to the relevant member of staff.

Thank you!