



Maple Class Newsletter

January 2024

Welcome

Welcome back to Maple Class!

We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break and a Happy New Year to you all.

Last half term we had a rollercoaster of a term with lots of highs and fun times and unfortunately the very sad news of Indiana passing away. The children have been super strong and so resilient throughout, we are so proud of them. If you require any support on how to support your child through this process of grief please let us know.

Just a reminder of your child's class team:



Jemma Dimmack- Class Teacher (Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri)



Sarah Wootton- Class Teacher (Thurs)



Eve Bryan- Teaching Assistant



Viktoriia Honcharenko- Teaching Assistant

Maple and Pine Class Singing and Signing Session

We would love to invite you all to join us at our singing and signing stay and play session. Following our parental feedback communication was an area that lots of parents requested further support with and therefore this is a fun way to learn some simple Makaton signs with a simple introduction to PODD.

Date and time: Tuesday 30th January 10-11:30am



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Topic

This term our topic is 'people who help us move'. We will be exploring and learning about who helps us to move including bus drivers and physiotherapists. During our PE sessions we will be learning about how our body moves through gymnastic inspired activities. We also have lots of key events including national bird watch week, number week and Chinese new year. As well as our topic we love to encourage the children to initiate play, we will do this through in the moment planning, whereby we allow the children to take control of their learning.

Therapies

We have weekly time slots for both Hydrotherapy and Rebound Therapy.

Hydrotherapy- Monday morning (Please bring in a swimming costume and towel each week if you would like your child to take part.)

Rebound Therapy- Thursday morning

Although we have access to these weekly we advise that we aim to take small groups of children on an every other week basis to achieve a more targeted approach.

Forest School

We aim to go to our forest school area every Wednesday morning. Please be aware that forest school will take place during most weathers and therefore please ensure your child has the suitable clothing for this. Please make sure you send a raincoat, wellies (if necessary), hat, gloves and any other waterproofs needed.



Snacks

As a school we offer fruit, milk or water during break times. If your child requires a different snack or drink please send these in labelled.



Labelling of equipment

Please ensure all of your child's clothes, coat, bags and any medical equipment are clearly labelled to avoid these being misplaced and so we know who's equipment belongs to who.



EFL

Each week observations of your child will be submitted on Evidence for Learning. Please take a look at these as it will keep you updated on what we are up to and the achievements your child has made. You can then comment and send your home photos in so we can see the achievements they are making at home.