

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

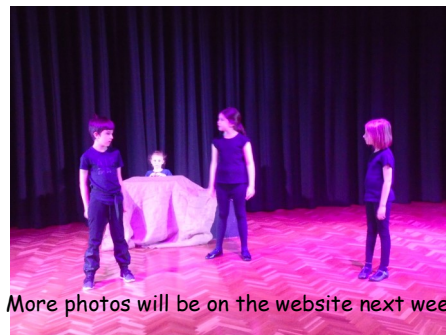
# Newsletter

Friday 26th April 2019

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week after the holiday and I am hoping that you have all had a good Easter. It is at this stage that we really start to see how the children are growing personally as well as academically - they look a little taller and walk a little more confidently! They have also returned with positive attitudes and a purposeful work ethic which is great to see. Next week we are having 'Science Week' so am sure the children will be able to share some of their learning with you and there will be photos on the website pages too.

I have just returned from watching Rowan class take part in a Shakespeare festival run by Sandy Secondary School. The children attended rehearsals throughout last term and have been practicing very hard. All their hard work paid off and we were treated to an amazing performance of *The Tempest*. The clarity with which they spoke their lines on top of remembering all the stage directions was incredible. I am hard pushed to remember having seen a group of children at their age perform so very well and they have certainly set the bar very high for whatever productions happen next! I am so very proud of each and every one of them and am amazed at how calm they were performing in front of quite a large audience; I am convinced that in a number of years we will see more of these young people on the stage! Many thanks to Ms Cassidy for all the hours and hard work she has put in to preparing the children for this event, and to Mrs Woods and Mrs Cleary for their support and help as well. I am incredibly grateful to you all and am sure you have provided the children with an experience they will always remember!



More photos will be on the website next week

Have a lovely weekend!



Please be aware that the school office now has a new email address:

[office@mapletreepriamaryschool.com](mailto:office@mapletreepriamaryschool.com)



This is in use from now on, however emails to our old address will be forwarded to us for the next few weeks but then this address will no longer be operational. Please make a note of the new address.

Thank you.

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Head: Mrs Cath Bainbridge Deputy Head: Mr. Steve Venus

## House Point Winners

BACK NEXT WEEK

## Attendance Award

The best attendance award is presented to:

Mulberries 84.7 % (Pre-School)	Pine (YR) 91.7 %
<b>Fir (YR) 100 %</b> 	Birch (Y1) 98.5 %
Yew (Y1) 95.5 %	Aspen (Y2) 97.6 %
<b>Poplar (Y3) 100 %</b> 	Rowan (Y4) 96.8 %
Juniper (Y4) 98.4 %	Cherry (Y5) 98.4 %

## Diary Dates

### Summer 1

Wednesday 8th May - Class photos  
Wednesday 8th May- FoMT Cinema Night  
Wednesday 15th May - First Parent Forum - more details to follow

### Half Term

**Monday 27th - Friday 31st May**

### Summer 2

Monday 3rd June - Children return to school  
Saturday 8th June - **Sandy Carnival including Maple Tree float**  
Tuesday 11th June **Year 3/4 Duxford Trip**  
Monday 17th June - **KS1 Shuttleworth Trip**  
Thursday 27th June - **Pre-School Sports day**  
Friday 28th June - **Reception to Year 5 Sports day**  
Saturday 6th July - Summer Fete  
Thursday 11th July - **Reports out**  
Friday 12th July - Open Afternoon 2.30 - 3.30pm  
Monday 15th July - **Year 4 Camping**  
Friday 19th July - Term Ends  
Monday 22nd July - INSET day

### Co-op Fundraising Update

£1012.16 raised so far!  
 Please keep supporting us.  
 A fantastic amount! Please keep spending!

I have recently noticed an increase in the number of absence requests for holidays. I want to remind you that holidays in term time are only authorised very occasionally and at the discretion of the Headteacher.

Should you feel that you have exceptional circumstances, you need to request authorisation on the correct form which can be found on our website or from our school office. Where necessary you need to include as much detail and evidence as you can. There is a list on the reverse of the form for circumstances that will not be authorised and this includes holidays that are cheaper in term time.

Please do what you can to ensure your child is in school every day - attendance matters!



School success starts with attendance