

Maple Class

Autumn 2 Newsletter

2025 - 2026



Maple Class Staff



Helen



Sarah

Welcome

We hope you have had a lovely half term week holiday and looking forward to the run up to Advent and Christmas. We have another active seven weeks packed full of fun, learning new things and festive spirit!

This term our book is...



Curriculum

This term our cross curricular theme is **Rumble In The Jungle** which will run through everything we do. Indeed, our class book is Michael Morpurgo's 'Running Wild' which will be very exciting and colourful as well as heart-rendering.

In our English lessons we shall use this text and its context as inspiration for our key vocabulary, grammar and comprehension skills as well. Our genre that we shall also be working on this term is poetry which will be a particular focus during Advent when we shall be working on seasonal poems. In PSHE lessons we will be working on managing feelings including strategies ensuring our wellbeing, know who we can go to to help us with strong feelings and knowing that we deserve to be respected and feel happy. In Computing we will be focusing on photographic editing as a part of our desktop publishing topic.

Our PE module is invasion games such as football, volleyball and netball. In Science our topic will be on habitats and how we classify things such as animal groups, biomes, ecosystems and evolution. We will also be developing our key skills using a scheme called Skills Builder as we look forward to our next steps in our *Listening* module. And finally in Maths this term, we shall be starting the year working on measurement, including telling the time, measuring the area and volume of shapes. Maple pupils will also enjoy Food & Nutrition with subject specialist teacher Alison and Art with subject specialist teacher Lily.

Whole School Diary Dates

14.11.25	Children in Need (pupils are encouraged to wear something yellow and spotty)
10.12.25	Lower School Christmas performance 10am – Willoughby (school hall)
11.12.25	Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
16.12.25	Santa visiting Willoughby
17.12.25	Upper School Christmas event at 10am Bourne Abbey Church
18.12.25	Christmas Disco (Christmas Jumpers/party wear)
19.12.25	Christmas Fayre and end of term
06.01.26	Start of Term

Food and nutrition – Please log into your ParentPay account where a payment item has been raised and we would appreciate it if you could make a voluntary contribution.

Key Class information

PE – Monday PM – please ensure your child has their kit and trainers.

Cooking – Tuesday PM

Keeping in touch

Please use the home school book to inform us of any important information relating to your child. We will check it every day but please log into Tapestry for your daily class update. Don't forget to add any home experiences to Tapestry as this provides us with a valuable link to home.

Any absence or to notify us of a medical appointment or for general enquiries please email:

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