

Maple Class
Spring 1 Newsletter
2025 - 2026



Maple Class Staff



Helen



Harriet

Welcome

We hope you have had a fabulous Christmas holiday and wish everyone a Happy New Year! This term we have 6 weeks packed with new things and hard work.

This term our books are...



Curriculum

This term our cross curricular theme is **Feel The Force** which will run through everything we do. Our class books are *A Wrinkle In Time* by Madeleine L'Engle which will be very exciting and colourful as well as very mysterious for some of Maple pupils and also *George's Marvellous Medicine* by Roald Dahl for others in our class.

In our Literacy we shall use these texts and their 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 recounting an event or experience. In PSHE lessons we will be working on self care, support and safety and understanding that no one has the right to make us feel frightened or uncomfortable. In Computing we will be focusing on programming using the Scratch programme.

Our PE module is net games such as badminton, tennis and table cricket and in Science our topic will be forces and magnets. We will also be developing our key skills using a scheme called Skills Builder as we look forward to our next steps in our *Speaking* 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, Forest School and Art with subject specialist teachers Alison, Dave and Lily respectively.

Whole School Diary Dates

W/C 26 th January	Reading Week
Friday 13 th February	End of Term
Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February	Half Term
Monday 23 rd February	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

Forest School – Wednesday

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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