



# Maple Infants' School

June 2018

Newsletter No. 6

## Diary Dates:

**PHONICS  
SCREENING WEEK:**  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> –  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June

**Infant Music Festival**  
(The Rose Theatre)  
Year 2 Choir  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June

**MAPLE INFANTS'  
SCHOOL SUMMER  
FAIR: Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
June 11am – 2pm**

**Fun and Games  
Events (Sports Day):**  
**Nursery:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
June

**Reception and KS1:**  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June  
(if postponed  
reserve date  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>  
July)

**New Nursery and  
Reception Parents  
Meetings:** Thursday  
28<sup>th</sup> June 6.30pm &  
7.30pm

**Year 2 Country  
Dance Festival:**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

**New Reception  
Pupils Stay and Play  
Sessions:**  
5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> July

**New Nursery Pupils  
Stay and Play  
Sessions:** 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> &  
13<sup>th</sup> July

**'WONDERFUL  
WORLD' ARTS WEEK:**  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday  
13<sup>th</sup> July

We have so many exciting events and activities planned throughout this half term for the children to take part in, but we are also looking forward to welcoming our families to join us for many of them! This term is always full of celebration and we love taking time with the children to really reflect on the amazing journey that they have taken throughout the past year and also to think about the exciting adventures ahead of them.

Mrs. Barwell

## Staffing

Many of you will have now met our new Office Manager, Mrs Charlotte Connolly, who joined us after the spring break. We are also very pleased to welcome Miss Georgie Daborn who is currently teaching Copper Beech class whilst Mrs Orchard is on maternity leave. We are very pleased to welcome Mrs Wright back to Maple following her maternity leave.

## Baby news!

We are delighted to be able to inform you that Mrs Orchard welcomed a baby girl to her family a few weeks ago. I know that you will share our congratulations to the Orchard family!

## Child Safety Week 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> June

The safety of all of the children at Maple is always a priority for parents and professionals alike. However, child safety week provides the perfect opportunity to remind families about our procedures for keeping your children safe, especially during school drop off and collection times where meeting areas can be particularly busy. Please make sure that you see your child into their classroom/entry point in the mornings before you leave the school site. Staff will always be present to ensure that your child enters safely. Please do not allow your child to enter school independently if there is not a member of school staff present. If you are running late, please take your child straight to the school office and do not leave them in school unless you have spoken to a member of staff. We would also like to remind families to always ensure that a member of staff has seen you to release your child safely to you at the end of the school day. We establish clear rules with the children and explain that they must not open any of our security doors and we would appreciate it if families could also reinforce this with your children. We also understand that from time to time pick up arrangements can also change for your child and sometimes at short notice, however we would like to request that wherever possible could families please contact the office before 2.30pm if collection arrangements have changed to enable us to ensure that messages can be delivered in sufficient time to staff and also the children themselves. Many thanks in advance for your understanding and support with these procedures.

## TRANSITION

At this time of the year we begin to talk to the children about transition and plan lots of activities to support this. We are currently organising our staffing for next year and will share with families, as soon as we are able to, who their child's class teacher will be next year.

## Information for the families of Year 2 pupils who are going to SASM in Year 3

As the pupils in Year 2 have been together in their class since Reception, St Andrews and St Marks have requested that classes are re-organised for pupils moving to them for Year 3 again this year. There are many reasons for this to take place, including support for pupils to widen both their working and also friendship groups, it enables pupils to develop their resilience, provides an opportunity to achieve a good gender balance and also to balance ability levels. As Maple staff know your children so well, we will be providing SASM with suggested classes towards the second half of the summer term. This will be completed carefully and sensitively and we will invite pupils to identify 5 friends whom they would like to be with and guarantee them being with at least 1 of their closer friends. We will inform

## **Celebration of Achievement**

**Evening:** Thursday  
12<sup>th</sup> July

## **Year 2 Leavers**

**Concert:** Last week of term (timings tbc)

## **Nursery Teddy**

**Bears Picnic:** Last week of term (tbc)

**TERM ENDS FOR THE CHILDREN AT 2PM ON THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2018**

## **NEXT INSET DAY:**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## **AUTUMN TERM 2018 DATES:**

Autumn term begins on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September however this is an INSET day so we will be welcoming the children in **years 1 and 2** back to school on **TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**Children joining Nursery & Reception will receive individual start dates in due course as part of a staggered entry for September**

## **HALF TERM**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October

## **INSET DAYS:**

(school closed for pupils)

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October

parents when we are inviting year 2 pupils to do this. Please see your child's class teacher if you would like to discuss this further.

## **Reports**

All parents will receive a written report in the Summer Term which will highlight the progress which your child/children have made throughout the year. Should you wish to discuss your child's report with their class teacher, you will be able to arrange a meeting with them following receipt of your child's report.

## **Phonics Screening Check Week**

The annual phonics screening check will take place next week (11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June) for all pupils within year 1 and some year 2 pupils. Please let your class teacher know if your child will be absent at any point during this week to help us to plan the screening checks. At Maple we ensure that the check is taken in a fun way and the children really enjoy the process. Parents will be informed of their child's results towards the end of the term within their written reports.

## **OPEN SESSIONS – See your child's learning in action!**

During these sessions you will be invited to join your child's class and see your child learning in action throughout the session. You are very welcome to join your child for the whole session or just drop in to spend part of the session with your child. Unfortunately we are unable to accommodate younger siblings to these events. Please also be aware that you will not be able to take photographs. The sessions for each year group are as follows;

**NURSERY AM:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 11 – 11.45am

**NURSERY PM:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2.30 – 3.15pm

**RECEPTION:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 9.15 – 10.15am

**YEAR 1:** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2.15 – 3.15pm

**YEAR 2:** Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2.15 – 3.15pm

We look forwards to welcoming you to join in with your child's learning!

## **CELEBRATION OF ACHIEVEMENT EVENING 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018 (5.00 – 6.15pm)**

We would like to invite children and their families back to school on this evening to visit their classes and their current class teacher to share and celebrate the children's hard work and success throughout the year. Children who are remaining at Maple next year will also have an opportunity to meet their new class teacher and visit their new classroom. We look forward to welcoming you to this event and celebrating your child's success throughout this year.

## **END OF SUMMER TERM**

The summer term ends on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July, however this is an **INSET** day for Maple so the children's last day at school will be on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July** and school will close at **2pm** on this day. In partnership with The Friends of Maple Infants' School, we have agreed for this day to be a mufti day to enable families to donate any old Maple uniform to The Friends before the summer break begins.

