



WC: 28/9/20 **OUR WEEK IN RECEPTION**

-Together we learn and grow -



PE Sessions

PE sessions will begin in Reception this week, children will need to come to school in their PE kit (**red shorts/ red or navy tracksuit bottoms, PE t-shirt, plimsolls and school jumper/cardigan**) on the following days each week:

Laurel Class – Wednesday and Friday

Chestnut Class – Tuesday and Thursday

Hazel Class- Tuesday and Friday

We will complete PE Sessions outside even in cold weather (as long as it is safe to do so) and children need to be appropriately dressed for the weather. Thank you!

A Nurturing Environment

Our Mission

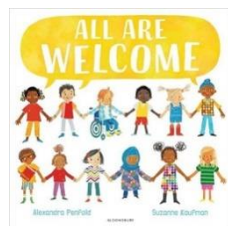


We nurture all children to be:

- Successful lifelong learners who love learning, make progress and achieve
- Confident individuals who are able to live safe, happy and active lives
- Responsible citizens who make a positive contribution to their community

We will continue to celebrate each individual in our classes in line with our topic 'Magical Me!' and we look forward to talking more about each child's individual interests.

As a community we all belong at Maple and **all** of our children are important members of our school. We will be sharing the story 'All Are Welcome'. The story celebrates being a school where diversity is viewed as a strength and pupils grow and learn from each other's traditions.



*"No matter how you start your day,
What you wear when you play,
Or if you come from far away,
All are welcome here."*

Phonics and early language skills

This week we will begin teaching phonics to the children daily. Our sounds for this week are **s,a,t and p**. We will also be learning to read the phase 2 tricky words **l, the, to, go, no and into**. Tricky words are words we can't sound out, we have to learn to read the whole word on sight. The children will begin exploring initial sounds, identifying the sounds and saying them aloud. They will learn the jolly phonics song

and action for each of the sounds. On **Friday 2nd October** we will be sending home flashcards for each of the sounds and tricky words that they have learnt this week for you to practise at home.

Reading

We will be using a different story for each of our sounds this week:

A Squash and a Squeeze

Aliens Love Underpants!

The Tiger Who Came To Tea

Polar Bear, Polar Bear What Can You Hear?



The children are already showing us that they have a love for reading, requesting their favourite songs and stories each day. We look forward to starting their reading journey this week!

Early mathematics

We will continue singing number songs, rote counting accurately to 20 and grouping objects together to match a given number. Each day we will talk about the numbers 1-5 and think about what we already know about the number (different representations, songs, patterns etc) to develop their understanding of numbers.

Other Information

Please could we ask parents to either order a school lunch or send a packed lunch, children are unlikely to eat a school lunch if they have been sent a packed lunch from home. We are finding there are a lot of school lunches going to waste, we would like to reduce this waste where possible.

We are still finding a lot of the children's equipment is unnamed and this can cause upset when children have the same lunch boxes, water bottles or clothing! Please can we ask you to ensure **all equipment is named!** All children need to bring a water bottle to school every day, staff will refill bottles if they are empty throughout the day.

Have a lovely weekend!

The Reception team ☺

