



Maple Grove Primary School



Welcome Back

September 9th 2016

Firstly a warm welcome back to another year here at Maple Grove Primary school. As many of you are aware there were some changes over the summer and there are some new people that have joined the school.

Over the summer there has been a new Head Teacher and a new Associate School Leader join the school to help continue to drive up standards, work with parents and the local community and continue to build on the successes of the school. The focus is to make lessons fun and engaging for the children, build up life long values and skills and set every child up for success on their learning journey throughout the school.

We value parental contribution and input and we will be available on the playground at the start and the end of the day to address any concerns or to speak to parents if needed. Please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any questions.

Mr Lough

My name is Dan Lough. I am originally from Northumberland, in Northern England. I have a real passion for learning and education, and believe that every child has the right to a good quality and excellent standard of education, regardless of any barriers that might be presented. I have worked in a wide range of large primary schools in London, in a variety of challenging circumstances and I have supported leadership and management to develop schools into good and outstanding learning environments where every child has had the opportunity to achieve their potential.

Mr Labuschagne

My name is Pieter Labuschagne and I have a real passion for learning, enjoyment and well being. I grew up in South Africa and I was really lucky to experience an active and outdoor lifestyle. I decided to become a teacher as I very much enjoy working with people and young children. I believe that education is key to become a well rounded citizen with a responsibility towards making improvements in an ever changing and challenging world. I relocated to the UK nearly 20 years ago. My time working in schools allowed me the opportunity to establish a good track record of Improving standards in all areas and I thoroughly look forward to bring that experience to Maple Grove.

Uniform - Please ensure that your child attends school wearing the correct school uniform, if you are unsure what this is please speak to a member of staff.

Packed Lunches - We promote a healthy school, in the interest of this, please ensure that your child brings with them a healthy packed lunch with fruit and other healthy foods. Please be aware that fizzy drinks are not allowed in packed lunches.

Behaviour

As many parents will be aware there has been a new behaviour policy adopted and implemented in the school. The new policy focuses on a simple step process that ensures the children are responsible for their own actions and behaviour. The children remain on green when showing excellent behaviour and learning in lessons. If behaviour declines then the children move down the steps. Each step has an appropriate sanction associated with it. There are four steps. Step one and step 2 are orange, step 3 and step 4 are red. Below is a brief summary of the steps and sanctions.

Step 1 - Verbal warning from the teacher.

Step 2 - Sent to partner class for 5-10 minutes to reflect on their behaviour

Step 3 - If unacceptable behaviour continues they are sent for a further time out.

Step 4 - If there is a continuation of unacceptable behaviour, senior teachers are informed and a meeting is arranged with parents.

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY KINDNESS HONESTY ASPIRATION



Maple Grove Primary School



Dinosaurs in EYFS

Dinosaurs arrived at school today and the children in Reception have had a fantastic time learning about dinosaurs, what they were, when they lived, what they ate and lots of other fantastic pieces of information.



Learners of the week

Below are the children who have shown excellent learning on their first week back at Maple Grove, well done to all those who achieved the 'Learner of the Week'

Autumn-Rose, Layla Squelch, Ria Smith, Jake Humphries, Phoebe Spiteri-Ormes, Christopher Brackell, Ruby Pollard, Spike Price, Felicity Harwood, Sonny Braybrook

Value of the week

Below are the children who have shown one of the school values on their first week back at Maple Grove, well done to all those children.

Ollie Barnes, Ronnie Banks, Wanda Czarnecka, Alan Beldzik, Katie, Gracie, Ben Seiquin, Reece Walsh, Ollie Bates

Head teachers Award

This week, for showing an improved attitude, taking more responsibility and demonstrating the high standards and expectations we have, the award was given to:

Keane Waldon

Dates for the Diary

15th September - Coffee Morning 9:00-10:00 - School Life - Learning Mentors

16th September- Coffee Morning 9:00-10:00 - Meet the Leadership.

23rd September - ESOL Course

30th September - Macmillan Coffee Morning 9:00-10:00

4th October - Confidence Building Course

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY KINDNESS HONESTY ASPIRATION